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There's no place for these Edison seniors to hide in Mr. Cosgroves class, as you can see by their bewildered faces. In a failed attempt, they try to hide behind and under two of their favorite seniors, Dimo Vckov and Cheryl Crawford.



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"NO PLACE TO HIDE," our theme this year, is definitely the best way to describe Edison. It kind of reminds you of the Cheer's theme song, "Everybody Knows Your Name." The closeness makes it a friendly place, which is why we chose the friendly guy. The guy is peeking over the world, which is an added emphasis on the theme. Also, you know that saying, it's a small world, Edison itself is a small world, and your whole world, until you graduate. The shirt the guy is wearing was used to show how the people who weren't there for picture day still had no place to hide in the Edisonian. And last but not least, "peek-a-boo" pictures were used to help show throughout, how there really is no place to hide.

Seniors Richard Mackanos, Edward Martyka, Bradley Westerhout, and Dimo Vckov take time out from Mr. Dobrich's class, 7th hour, to pile up for one more picture.



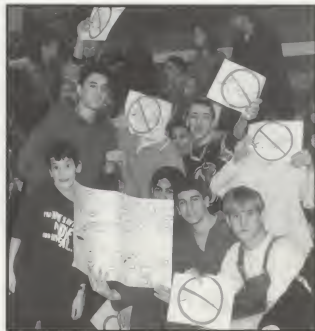
Seniors Heidi Moore, Maria Whalen, Dimo Vckov, Matthew Morales, and Edward Martyka group together during their last days at Edison to finish their work in Mr. Cosgrove's class.



Juniors Amanda Bowen, Jessica Wade, and Kevin Martin roam the halls 7th hour and get caught by the camera. They smile since they have no place to hide.



A group of students show how they aren't afraid to let everyone know who they want to win game against River Forest.



Juniors Sandra Briseno attempts to hide Deziree Melendez from Mrs. Georgion during 7th hour, but Deziree insists it's okay, and shows her mug anyway.





Sophomores Tricia Santos and Amber Hertaus hide under the lunch tables from Mrs. Plotner 7th hour, while repeating no more Algebra please.



Freshmen Christopher Bunnel, Leah Silverthorn, Casandra Ohmann, Danielle Underwood, and Gary Ray try their best to hide from their test in Mr. Zeheralis biology class 7th hour.



Juniors Leslie Grant and Jeanine Snoder take a rest in Mrs. Plotner's room after a long day of classes.



Senior Christopher Degenis isn't afraid to hide the muscles he's flexing in the above picture, after a nice long work out in body-conditioning 7th hour.



Senior Adrian Vera has no place to hide from junior Karen Cruz who tries to attack him with a scarf.



# STUDENT LIFE DIVISION PAGE



Student life normally consists of milk and cookies, ice cream and cake. Young children playing in the street light. Unfortunately, the children of Edison will not endure in these activities, for now comes a strange time...

Mrs. Ripperdan

"Yeah, I heard they were taking people on a space voyage."

Class

(All together)

"Really?"

Mrs. Ripperdan

"Yeah, most of them are women."

Aron Kollins sits in an uncomfortable chair pondering the possibilities of Mr. Cosgrove and Mr. Levenda. Yes, maybe they are capable of world domination.

## CUT TO:

A normal average school lunchroom. Bad lunch, harsh words, and food being launched from here to there.

Christopher Ausenbaugh

"Hey, maybe they will blow up Russia and use the dead bodies to grow apple trees."

The rumor continues to float about the lunchroom as student life becomes somewhat more interesting.

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### **TWA Flight 800 from New York to Paris**

exploded over Long Island in July, killing all 203 people on board. It took nearly four months to recover 95 percent of the downed 747 from the ocean, while investigators struggled to find an explanation for the crash. Theories being investigated included a bomb, mechanical failure or a missile, but eight months after the crash, no answers were forthcoming.

### **A pipe bomb exploded in**

Atlanta's Centennial Park during the Olympic games, killing one and injuring 111.

Richard Jewell became the FBI's prime suspect. When no evidence connecting him to the bombing was found, Jewell was finally cleared.



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**Independence Day**, the story of an alien invasion of the United States, was the blockbuster film of the summer, earning more than \$300 million worldwide and becoming the third largest-grossing film of all time. The film also won an Oscar for Visual Effects.

**Hurricane Fran** came ashore at Cape Fear, N.C., in early September, killing 34 and causing \$1 billion in damage to the east coast.



# Summer '96

■ Scientists tested a new combination of **AIDS drugs**, including drugs previously used and recently discovered protease inhibitors, which seemed to help decrease the effects of the virus on the immune system.

■ An **eight-year-old gorilla**

named Binti Jua was hailed as a hero after she came to the aid of a three-year-old boy at the Brookfield Zoo outside Chicago. The child fell 18 feet into the gorilla pit, where he was picked up by Binti Jua and carried to the pen's exit, away from the

other gorillas. ■ The Mall of America in Bloomington, Minn., set a **weekend curfew for teens**, reflecting a growing trend in malls across the nation. Shoppers under 16 must be accompanied by someone 21 or older after 6 p.m. on Fridays and

# '96 Olympics

**T**he 26th staging of the modern Olympic games drew the attention of the world to Atlanta for much of July.

The excitement began at the opening ceremonies, where a surprised crowd watched Muhammad Ali light the Olympic torch.

Gymnast Kerri Strug sprained her ankle on her first vault in the team competition, but went ahead with her second vault, believing the United States' chances for a gold medal depended on it. She landed her second vault and sealed a U.S. victory before collapsing in pain.

Michael Johnson sprinted to the honor of being arguably the fastest man alive when he won the 200 meter sprint in 19.32 seconds, a new world record, and ran the 400 meter in 43.49, setting an Olympic record.

Carl Lewis won a gold medal in the long jump at the age of 35. It was the ninth gold of his career.



Mike Powell • ALLSPORT



Gold Dwyer / Dwyer McNamee • JPA Press



Michael Cooper • ALLSPORT



Jeff Chiswick • SIPA Press



Mark Carraway • SIPA Press



Wally McNamee • SYGMA

Saturdays. ■ Elizabeth Carrigan, a student at Mountain Brook High School in Alabama, earned **perfect scores** on each of eight college entrance exams she took, including a 36 on the ACT and a 1600 on the SAT. Carrigan also aced advance

placement tests in several subjects, which could earn her a year's worth of credit at the college of her choice. ■ Prince Charles and Princess Diana's divorce became final on Sept. 28 **Terms of the divorce** include a mandate that Diana

may no longer be referred to as "Her Royal Highness" and a settlement that is reportedly near \$23 million. ■ Nintendo introduced one of the **hottest Christmas presents** of the year when it unveiled Nintendo 64. The game system, which

**Jonathan Prevette**, of Lexington, N.C., became perhaps the youngest person ever charged with sexual harassment. The six-year-old Prevette was suspended from Southwest Elementary School for one day because he kissed a first-grade girl.



George H.W. Bush • GLOBE PHOTOS

**Former vice president Spiro Agnew** died in September at the age of 77. Agnew, who served under President Richard Nixon, resigned in 1973 after it was revealed that he had accepted thousands of dollars in graft as the governor of Maryland.

**Rap artist Tupac Shakur** was shot in Las Vegas after attending a Mike Tyson boxing match on Sept. 13. Shakur died a week later at the age of 25. After months of investigation, police had no suspects or witnesses to the crime. Some saw Shakur's death as a reflection of the violence chronicled in his music.



Tommy Thompson • Getty Images



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**John F. Kennedy, Jr.**, removed himself as the country's most eligible bachelor when he married Carolyn Bessette on remote Cumberland Island, Ga. The wedding avoided being a tabloid event because everyone involved was sworn to secrecy, but reporters soon jumped on news that the marriage was in trouble.



# Fall 96

offers more interactivity, three-dimensional graphics and sound, sold 300,000 units in four days. ■ Pop singer and actress **Madonna gave birth** to her first child, a girl, on Oct. 8. Lourdes Maria Ciccone Leon weighed in at 6 lbs., 9 oz.

and was 20 inches long. ■ When **Jeffrey Maier**, a 12-year-old from Old Tappan, N.J., skipped school to attend the American League Championship Series at Yankee Stadium, he probably was not planning to affect the outcome of the game.

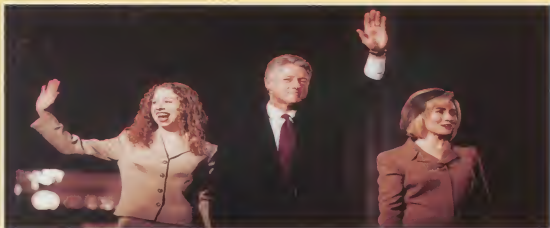
However, when he reached out of the stands and caught a fly ball hit by Yankee Derek Jeter, the ball was declared a home run although replays showed that without Maier's interference, it would not have cleared the fence. ■ In October, Sylvia



# '96 Election



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**B**ill Clinton won re-election as President of the United States in November, in an election notable for its low voter turnout.

Less than half of the country's eligible voters turned out to give Clinton 49.2 percent of the popular vote, leading him to victory over Republican Bob Dole, who won 40.8 percent, and Independent candidate Ross Perot, who received 8.5 percent.

Despite the 73-year-old Dole's promise of a 15 percent tax cut for all Americans, Clinton's victory was based on the healthy economy and strong support from women voters.

Dole remained highly visible after his defeat, appearing on the *Late Show with David Letterman*, the NBC sitcom *Suddenly Susan* and in a Visa commercial lampooning his return to his hometown of Russell, Kan.

Stayton of Cincinnati was handcuffed, taken to jail and put in a cell for three hours because she put 15 cents into two **expired parking meters** as a good deed. She was released after her daughter posted \$1,900 bond.

■ Russian President Boris Yeltsin

underwent successful quintuple-bypass **heart surgery** in November, finally confirming the rumors of his ill health that had been swirling for months. Yeltsin won re-election in August despite plummeting popularity ratings and concerns

about his health. ■ Evander Holyfield surprised the world with his **TKO victory** over Mike Tyson in November. The fight was stopped 37 seconds into the 11th round, and Holyfield won the WBA heavyweight championship at the age of 34.

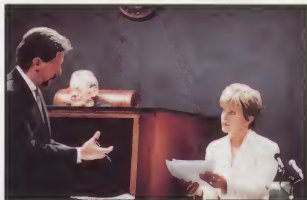


**The New York Yankees** came back from a two-game deficit to take the 1997 World Series from the Atlanta Braves, four games to two. It was the 23rd World Championship in team history, but their first title in 18 years.

**Tiny Tim**, best know for his song "Tiptoe Through the Tulips," died of heart failure in early December at the age of 64.



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**Jenny Jones took the stand** in the murder trial of Jonathan Schmitz in November, defending her talk show against allegations that it contributed to the crime. Schmitz killed Scott Amedure days after being ambushed on an episode of Jones' show in which Amedure revealed that he had a crush on Schmitz. Schmitz was convicted of second-degree murder.

**McDonald's unveiled a new line** of menu items for adults this fall. The fast food giant put \$200 million into a promotional campaign touting the new items, but some considered the Arch Deluxe a flop when sales fell short of expectations.



■ The third worst **air disaster** in history occurred near New Delhi when a Saudi jumbo jet collided with a Kazakhstan cargo plane, killing 349. ■ Texaco reached a \$176 million settlement with 1,348 plaintiffs in a **racial discrimination**

**suit** after secret tapes were found on which company executives made derogatory comments about black employees.

■ At least 50 **female Army recruits** at the Aberdeen Proving Grounds came forward in November claiming they had

been sexually abused. The complaints led to a worldwide investigation of army bases, resulting in over 300 criminal inquiries. In March, however, some of the women recanted, saying that Army investigators had pressured them to say they

# '96 Trends



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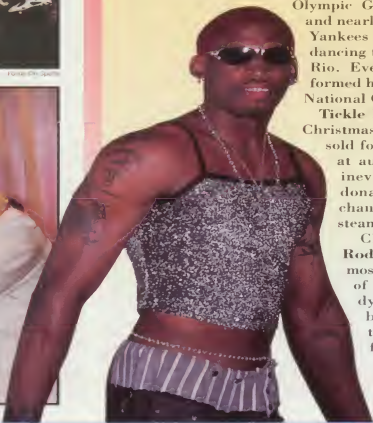
It had been 20 years since a dance craze of this magnitude had swept the country. And just as very few people can be found doing the Hustle anymore, by year's end most people were tired of the Macarena. However, for a few months in the summer and fall of 1996, people as diverse as the U.S. Women's Olympic Gymnastics Team, Regis Philbin and nearly the entire crowd at a New York Yankees baseball game could be found dancing to the infectious song by Los Del Rio. Even vice president Al Gore performed his own version at the Democratic National Convention.

**Tickle Me Elmo** was the toy to have at Christmas. Stuffed dolls which originally sold for \$30 fetched as much as \$2,500 at auctions and in ads. And, in the inevitable backlash, one woman donated \$800 to charity for the chance to run over the doll with a steamroller.

Chicago Bulls star **Dennis Rodman** personified many of the most popular fashion trends of the year, including dyed hair, multiple body piercings, tattoos, and metallic fingernail polish.



Demetrius/ABC Photo



K Jordan/ABC Photo

were raped. ■ **Cardinal Joseph Bernardin**, of Chicago, died in November at the age of 68 after a long bout with pancreatic cancer. ■ **Lou Holtz resigned his position as head coach** of the Notre Dame football team in

November. Holtz led the Irish to one national championship in his 11 years as coach. ■ A hijacked **Ethiopian jet** plunged into the Indian Ocean, killing 127. The hijackers had refused to let the pilot land, despite his assertions that the

plane needed refueling. ■ A moon probe collected data which proves that **ice exists** at the south pole of the Moon. This discovery increases the chance that a human colony could someday be established on the Moon. ■ **Pete Rozelle**,

**Nearly 40 inches of rain fell** in the northwestern United States in early January. The resulting floods in Oregon, Washington and Northern California left 250,000 people without power at one point, and caused many mudslides. Flooding was a problem throughout the country all year; floods plagued the Ohio Valley in March and the upper midwest in early spring.



**Astronomer Carl Sagan**, best known as host of the PBS series, "Cosmos," which was credited with popularizing science, died of pneumonia at age 62. Sagan was also a Pulitzer Prize-winning author, who was fascinated with the idea of life on other planets and was involved with every planetary mission undertaken by NASA.



James M. Kelly • GLOBE PHOTOS

**The Green Bay Packers** won their first Super Bowl in 29 years when they defeated the New England Patriots, 35-21. Desmond Howard, who ran a kickoff back for a touchdown, was named Super Bowl MVP.



who served as **commissioner of the NFL** for 29 years, died in early December at age 70. Rozelle was credited with many of the accomplishments leading to the NFL's phenomenal popularity, including expansion, television contracts that current-

ly exceed \$4 billion and the 1966 merger of the two football leagues which led to the Super Bowl. ■ When America Online switched to a policy of **unlimited access** for a set price, the provider was flooded with customers, making it extremely

difficult for users to gain access. To settle class-action lawsuits, the company was forced to give inconvenienced users up to two months of free service. ■ WebTV, a device that let users access the **Internet through their televisions**, was introduced



# Science & Technology



Maggie Aterciotto • AP/WIDEWORLD



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AP/WIDEWORLD



Pierre Villard • AP/WIDEWORLD

**M**any of the year's top stories in science came from outer space. Astronaut Shannon Lucid spent more than six months on the space station MIR when various shuttle delays made it impossible for her to return to Earth as scheduled. It was the longest any person had ever stayed in orbit, and Lucid was awarded the Congressional Space Medal of Honor.

In August, molecules and bacteria-like elements found in a 4.3 lb. meteorite were touted as possible proof that life once existed on Mars. The fragment, which fell on Antarctica 13,000 years ago, was estimated to be 3.6 billion years old.

Dolly the sheep received probably the most intense media scrutiny of any barnyard animal in history. Scottish scientists cloned Dolly from the tissue of a full-grown sheep. American scientists later cloned two Rhesus monkeys, and Senate hearings were held to discuss the legal, social and ethical implications of cloning in hopes of outlawing experiments involving humans.

in time for Christmas. Critics called it a gimmick, but supporters hoped that it would help get more people online. ■ **Marvel Comics declared bankruptcy** in late December after the company's stock dropped to \$2.38 per share from an all-time

high of \$34 per share in 1993.

■ About 100 reports of **hair-eating dolls** surfaced after Christmas when girls who had received the Cabbage Patch Snack Time Kid got their hair caught in the doll's inner mechanisms. The dolls, which were

manufactured by Mattel, were supposed to eat plastic french fries. The dolls had to be dismantled or destroyed when the girls' hair got caught. ■ The Oakland School Board experienced a backlash of criticism when they voted to recognize

**Tupac Amaru guerrillas** swarmed the Japanese ambassador's residence in Lima, Peru, and took nearly 500 people hostage. Although more than 400 of the hostages were released within days, including seven on New Year's Day, the Peruvian government did not give in to the rebels' demands to free their jailed comrades, and the crisis went on for months with 72 people still held.

### Golfing sensation

#### Tiger Woods

went pro in August after winning his third amateur championship. He won the Las Vegas Invitational in October, then two weeks later won the Disney Classic, making him the most successful golf rookie ever. Woods started 1997 with a bang, winning the Mercedes Championships.



Anthony Resse • GETTY IMAGES



Max Jaramon • AP/WIDEWORLD

### The former United States Ambassador to the U.N., Madeleine

Albright, was sworn in as Secretary of State in early February. Albright became the first woman to hold the position.

**Deng Xiaoping**, the leader of China, died in February at the age of 92. Thousands of mourners kept vigil outside the funeral.



Ebonics as the **primary language** of African-American students. The move would have allowed the district to receive federal funds for bilingual education. ■ **A Brinks armored truck overturned** on a Miami overpass in rush-hour

traffic, dumping \$500,000 in one of Miami's poorest neighborhoods. Officials went door-to-door, seeking the return of the money, and offered amnesty for anyone turning in money before a certain date. They received \$20.38. ■ Amid discus-

sions about regulating what appears on television, the industry voluntarily **put ratings on every program** shown. The ratings, which included Y and Y7 ratings for young children, G, PG and PG14 ratings similar to those used for movies,

# Television

**V**ery few new shows made a big splash in the Nielsen ratings, but established programs like *ER* and *Seinfeld* continued to hover near the top.

Although the NBC show *Friends* remained popular, most of the new shows modeled after it failed. One exception was *The Drew Carey Show*, which was called a "blue-collar version of *Friends*."

This year's most widely imitated show was *The X-Files*. A fictitious account of two FBI agents investigating paranormal cases, its popularity spawned a legion of off-beat dramas, including *Dark Skies* and *Millennium*.

The Fox network continued its success with animated programs like *The Simpsons* when it launched *King of the Hill*. Mike Judge, the mastermind behind MTV's *Beavis and Butt-Head*, created this story of the Hill family and their lives in a small Texas town.

In its third season, *Party of Five* became a bona fide hit for Fox, especially with viewers in the 18-24 age group, who avidly followed the turbulent lives of the orphaned Salinger children.



Fox Broadcasting Company



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and M ratings for mature audiences, were criticized as being confusing and inconsistent. ■ Bill Cosby's only son, Ennis, was **murdered in Los Angeles** in mid-January as he changed a tire on Mulholland Drive. An 18-year-old immigrant from the

Ukraine, Mikail Markhasev, was charged with the murder. ■ Fifth-grader Jeffrey Parks was **expelled from his Seattle school** after he brought a plastic GI Joe gun to school. Even though the gun was only one inch long and had no moving

parts, school officials said it violated the Seattle School District's ban on guns of any kind. ■ Twenty years after the original came out, *Star Wars* was re-released to a **new generation of fans**, complete with new scenes and enhanced

**Just as in his criminal trial,** trial-watchers kept vigil outside of the Los Angeles courtroom where O.J. Simpson faced civil charges in the death of his former wife, Nicole Brown Simpson, and her friend, Ronald Goldman.

This time Simpson was found liable for the murders and was forced to pay \$33.5 million to the families of the victims. In March, to help pay the damages, Simpson was ordered to give up \$400,000 worth of art, jewels and football memorabilia, including his Heisman trophy, to be sold, but many of the items could not be found.



**The Dave Matthews Band**

released a new album, *Crash*, to much critical and commercial success. The band won the Grammy for Best Rock Performance by a Duo or Group for the song, "So Much to Say."



Walter Weissman • GLOBE PHOTOS

**Boxer Riddick Bowe** joined the Marines in early February, after the military branch granted him special dispensation to join because, at 29, he was over the recruit age limit. Bowe was discharged three days into his training at Parris Island, S.C., because he had trouble adapting to the regimen of recruit training.



sound. The other two movies of the trilogy were released in subsequent weeks. *Star Wars* made over \$450 million in its second release, and *The Empire Strikes Back* and *Return of the Jedi* made nearly \$300 million.

■ Michael Jackson announced

in November that Debbie Rowe, a former nurse to his dermatologist, was **carrying his child**. Ten days later the couple were married. Rowe gave birth to a son, who was named Prince Michael Junior, on Feb. 13. ■ A 69-year-old Palestinian, Ali

Hassan Abu Kamal, opened fire on the observation deck at the **Empire State Building**, killing one and wounding six. He then turned the gun on himself. The landmark then instituted tighter security, including metal detectors and bag searches.

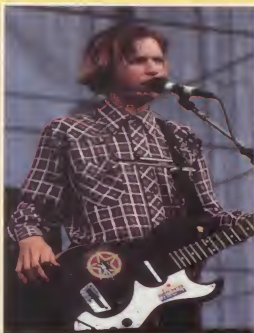


# The Grammys

**W**ith the release of his latest album, *Odelay*, Beck attained both commercial and critical success, including being named Spin magazine's Artist of the Year, and winning two Grammys: Male Rock Vocal Performance for "Where It's At," and Alternative Performance for *Odelay*. The Fugees sold more than 5 million copies of their album, *The Score*, which won a Grammy for Best Rap Album. They also won a Best R & B Performance Grammy for the song "Killing Me Softly." LeAnn Rimes, at the age of 14, won two Grammys, for Female Country Vocal Performance and Best New Artist. Her hit "Blue" also won Country Song of the Year honors for songwriter Bill Mack.

Other multiple Grammy winners included Eric Clapton, Babyface, Celine Dion, The Beatles, Toni Braxton, Vince Gill, and Sheryl Crow.

"Change the World," from the *Phenomenon* motion picture soundtrack, dominated the ceremony by winning four Grammys: Record of the Year, Song of the Year, Male Pop Vocal Performance by Eric Clapton and the Producer of the Year award for Babyface.



Walter Winchell • GLOBE Photos



James M. Kelly • GLOBE Photos



Anders Krusberg • GLOBE Photos

■ Tracy McGrady of Mount Zion Christian Academy in North Carolina declared himself **eligible for the NBA draft** as a high school senior. He followed the lead of current NBA players who were drafted right out of high school, such as Kobe

Bryant and Kevin Garnett. ■ A tornado swept through Arkadelphia, Ark., in early March, **destroying nearly the entire town** and causing six deaths. Twenty-five people died in Arkansas the same day as 14 twisters touched down in the

state. ■ Two additional **bombings in Atlanta** took place in the new year, leading investigators to believe that they were connected to the Olympic Park bombing. The first, at an abortion clinic in January, injured six, and the second, at a gay night-

Asel Koster • GLOBE

Ken Smith • SABA Press

**The University of Tennessee** won the Women's NCAA Tournament, 68-59, over Old Dominion. Chamique Holdsclaw was named the tournament's Most Outstanding Player as she led the Volunteers to their second straight title, and the team's fifth.

**The Notorious B.I.G.**, also known as Biggie Smalls, was killed in a drive-by shooting in Los Angeles at the age of 24. Smalls, a former crack dealer, was thought to be a victim of gang violence, possibly brought on by the rivalry between east and west coast rappers.



Biggie Smalls • SYGMA

**President Bill Clinton and Russian President Boris Yeltsin**

held a summit in Helsinki in late March to discuss NATO expansion plans. Yeltsin agreed to the expansion although he did not approve of it. President Clinton arrived for the summit in a wheelchair because he injured his knee after falling down the stairs at golfer Greg Norman's house.



# Spring 97

club in February, injured nine. ■ Floods **ravaged the Ohio Valley** in early March, causing \$500 million in damage. Rising waters in Ohio, Kentucky, Indiana, Tennessee and West Virginia were thought to be responsible for 31 deaths across

the region. ■ Boxer Sugar Ray Leonard **attempted a comeback** at age 40, but his fight against Hector Camacho was stopped in the fifth round with Camacho being declared the winner. ■ The labor agreement between baseball's owners

and players was **officially ratified** in mid-March, making 1997 the first season in four years in which there were no labor problems. The basic labor agreement, which will be in place until 2000, includes allowances for revenue-sharing

# The Oscars

**T**he media declared this the year of the independents, because so few major studio films were nominated for Academy Awards.

*The English Patient* was the big winner on Oscar night — it came away with nine of the 12 awards for which it was nominated, including Best Supporting Actress for Juliette Binoche, Best Director for Anthony Minghella and Best Picture.

Also winning an Academy Award was Cuba Gooding, Jr., who was named Best Supporting Actor for his work in *Jerry Maguire*.

Frances McDormand was named Best Actress for *Fargo*, and Joel and Ethan Coen won the award for Best Original Screenplay for the film.

Geoffrey Rush won the Best Actor Oscar for *Shine*, in which he portrayed the mentally disturbed concert pianist David Helfgott. Helfgott, who has embarked on a concert tour due to the success of the film, performed at the Oscar ceremony.



Frank Trapper • SYGMA



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LARRY DOWNING • SYGMA

between clubs and interleague play. ■ Thirty-nine members of the **Heaven's Gate** cult were found dead in their posh San Diego enclave. The cult members committed suicide because they wanted to shed their human containers in preparation for

meeting a UFO they believed was traveling behind the Hale-Bopp comet. ■ Liggett, Inc. broke ranks with other tobacco companies when it **settled class-action lawsuits** in 22 states, admitting that tobacco is addictive. The cigarette maker

was forced to turn over sensitive internal documents for court review. ■ Jury selection began in Denver on March 31 for the trial of **Oklahoma City bombing suspect** Timothy McVeigh. The trial was set to proceed despite claims by



Brian Rahn • AP/SPORT

**The Arizona Wildcats** won their first NCAA Tournament when they defeated defending champions Kentucky, 84-79. Miles Simon, who scored 31 points in the title game, was named Tournament MVP.

**No Doubt** sold more than 5 million copies of *Tragic Kingdom*, but was shut out of the Grammy awards. The group was nominated for two awards.



Andrea Rinehart • GLOBE PHOTOS

**William Shakespeare's Romeo and Juliet** left the bard's dialogue intact, but placed the story of doomed love in the post-modern setting of Verona Beach. The film, which starred Claire Danes and Leonardo DiCaprio, earned over \$40 million.



LEG • SIPA PICS

McVeigh's counsel that advance publicity, including reports that McVeigh had confessed his guilt to his attorneys, would threaten his rights to a fair trial. Another suspect, Terry Nichols, was to be tried separately. ■ Mario Lemieux **announced his retirement** after 12 seasons in the National Hockey League. The Pittsburgh

Penguins center had been battling a bad back. ■ Martina Hingis became the **youngest player** in women's tennis history to be ranked number one when she attained the top spot at the age of 16.



**Life Long Sidekicks**

Seniors Lisa Kroledge and Cheryl Crawford have been friends "sidekicks" ever since elementary school. For as long as one can remember, side by side, they back each other up in everyway.

**Sidekicks, Friends**

Seniors Latrica Fought and Trina Villarruel are sidekicks in many ways. Latrica is holding her wounded sidekick Katrina after an Intergalactic battle.

**School Sidekicks**

Seniors Leslie Llerena and Hidi Moore are seen in the hallways of Edison while on a mission to save the world's suckers.

**Sidekicks In Show**

Caught on camera seniors Kristy Hite, Tiffany Hester, and Kristina Vega are sidekicks showing their support to Edison's football team. in a game against River Forest, Edison's arch enemies.

**Every Day Sidekicks**

Juniors Kristy Taylor and Kelly Krayniak are Edison's sidekicks. Everyday they are seen walking in the halls together.

Sidekicks, sometimes called best friends, are a part of most student's lives. Almost everyone has had, at one time or another, a best friend. Though it is hard to come by a good friend, don't stop trying. Out there in the world is a person who is looking for a good friend and you may be just the person to fill the position. If you are currently available or looking for a sidekick, featured on this page are some examples of what you may want to look for. Unfortunately, super powers are not included.

# WHAT IS YOUR FASHION



Flannels have stayed among the guys this year. Seniors David Mardis and Edward Martyka show their support for the flannel look.



Juniors Deziree Melendez and Kristy Tellez with the baggy style because it's comfortable. "Also, if you wear it right you can look decent," says Deziree.

## Top Ten Fashion Trends For 1996/1997

1. stripes
2. overalls
3. wide leg jeans
4. corduroy
5. sandals
6. retro shirts and sweaters
7. piercing
8. black leather coats
9. layered hair for the girls
10. funky nail polish



Juniors Andrea Wise, Erica Chadwick, Dale Ginter, Karen Cruz, Robert Coffman, Rhonda Rokicki, and Joshua O'Dell stand together wearing a mixture of fashions. All common here in the halls of Edison.



# AND WHY DO YOU CHOOSE IT?



Junior Heather Burns decided to get her tongue pierced because she wanted to be different from everyone else and because she liked the way it looked. Also, because she wanted to have it to gross out those who disapprove of her look.



Stripes have been the most common trend seen this year. Almost everyone owns at least one item with stripes on it. Junior Andrea Norman is an example.

Fashion is a big part of all high schools, but it plays an essential role here at Edison. Since it is quite a small school, how one dresses affects the friends or clique one hangs out with. There are basically four different fashions, that groups everyone in one way or another. These are the alternative look which consists of a few different ways to dress. Some go for the look from the 60-70's era. Some for the grungy style which simply means what it's called, grungy. Others like to dress with a style of their very own. Another group would be the baggy style which is worn by those who mainly listen to rap. There is also the sporty look which is worn by those who love sports or is on a team. Then there is another group which could be classified as miscellaneous. People in this classification normally dress with comfortable or dressy clothes. That is the group that usually listens to all different kinds of music and really isn't classified with the rest, since music sometimes plays a role in how we dress. The most common of all of these would probably be miscellaneous.

Written By: Kristy Taylor



Freshman Tara Rollo dresses in the alternative style she says. She chooses this type of dressing as a way to be different.



# §§§§ Student Life §§§§

Where do you get your information? If magazines is the answer, then this page is for you. Students tell their veivs on which magazines are the best for good articles, stories and information.



## YOUR VIEW

### Freshmen Class

What magazines do you like to read?

*Seventeen* 28%

*Teen* 9%

*Sports Illustrated* 5%

*YM* 3%

*Guitar World* 3%

Out of the Freshmen Class of 124 only 54 responded.

Freshmen Danielle Underwood and Eveliss LLeras look through magazines to find examples for an art assignment as senior Jeremy Lutz and David Guzman work on their paintings.

People of all ages read magazines for information and pleasure.



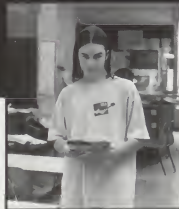
"I read *Sports Illustrated* because I like the articles."

Mr. Solomon



"I read *Seventeen* because its full of great ideas and stories. I also like the Horoscopes."

Kristy Taylor



"I read *Guitar World* because it's an informative magazine."

Brandon Antkowiak



"I read *YM* because it keeps me up to date on my favorite actors and actresses."

Nola Richardson



# §§§§§§§ Survey §§§§§§§

**W**hat kind of music do you listen to?  
The Edisonian Yearbook Staff surveyed the senior class and asked a few others for their opinions on which musical group is most popular in 1997.

## YOUR VIEW

Senior Class

What musical group do you listen to?

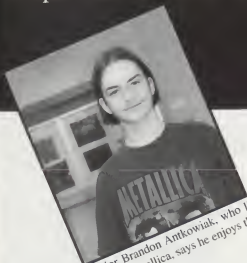
Bone Thugs	8%
Tupac	6%
Keith Sweat	4%
Metallica	4%
None	28%

Out of the Senior class of 116 only 50 responded.

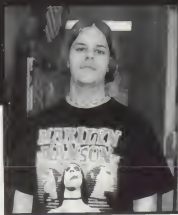
Senior Joshua Alderson listen to and reads anything about the group Nirvana. He has earned the nickname Kurt after the lead singer of Nirvana, Kurt Cobain.



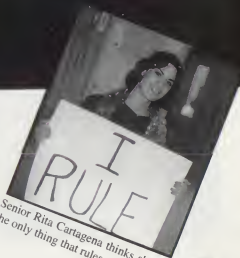
People listen to music of every kind, Pop, Rap, Heavy Metal, and Alternative.



Junior Brandon Ambkowiak, who listens to Metallica, says he enjoys their songs.



Freshman Christopher Ausenbaugh wears a Marilyn Manson shirt to show his choice in music.



Senior Rita Cartagena thinks she is the only thing that rules.



# UNDERCLASSMEN DIVISION PAGE



*Our story begins with shocking news of our most respected faculty. Student Life normally would consist of things like: football games, hangout places, or after school activities. Unfortunately, fiction has taken over...*

Joplihn Corradino

"Has anyone heard the new rumor?"

*(the group looks at him with intrigue)*

"Well, Mr. Levenda and Mr. Cosgrove have stolen a Soviet rocket."

Lorraine George

"For real, that's crazy man."

Dawn Lopez

"Why do they want it?"

Lisha Willis

"I heard they're taking it to Canada."

Lorraine George

"They'll probably something in it, I hope they pick me up."

Erica Castillo

"Hey Lori, we could use blackmail to get millions."

Joplihn Corradino

"They're crazy."

Lisha Willis

"I really don't know what to say about all of this."

*Classes go on with the rumor growing bigger and bigger. What is next? Tune in to the next Division Page.*



# Freshmen Class Officers

President: Kristin Mantta  
Vice President: Casandra Ohmann  
Secretary: Stephanie Mendez  
Treasurer: Nicole Porras  
Girls' Rep.: Brittane Finchum  
Boys' Rep.: James Spencer

## Class of 2000



Class Officers: Stephanie Mendez, Brittane Finchum, Kristin Mantta.  
Bottom row: Casandra Ohmann, James Spencer, and Nicole Porras.



Above: Kenneth Hite reads out loud in Mrs. Pappas' literature class.

Right: Catherine Redar gets her books from her locker as she is getting ready to sign out.



## Freshmen Take Charge

by Patti Jo Owens

The freshmen class this year is the year 2000's future. Even though they are small now they all will grow to be very successful. They have young and inquiring minds that will help them to succeed in the near future.

This year the freshmen have proven that you can do it if you put your mind to it. Sure, the upperclassmen tease them by calling them "frogs" (especially the seniors) but, these "frogs" are going to jump back and get revenge on the upperclassmen, not by anger but with dignity.

Della Alexander  
Robert Alger  
Terrill Anderson  
Christopher Antkowiak  
David Ard

Irene Artemis  
Christopher Ausenbaugh  
Joline Banks  
Cheryl Baskoff  
Shannon Beal

David Belites  
Jacalyn Bolles  
Casey Bradley  
Kelly Brannon  
Richard Brayfield

## Freshmen

Carrie Ring is learning how to decorate a gingerbread house. Mrs. Dickinson's 3rd and 5th hour foods and nutrition class made houses beginning with graham crackers and used powdered sugar icing to hold the parts together.



Danielle Underwood, Christopher Bunnel, Tara Leshar, an unidentified Santa, Michael Palumbo and Rachel McColly are a few of the freshmen volunteers delivering food baskets for the Student Council's Christmas Food Drive. The Student Council delivered 62 baskets on December 20.



Beverly King(12) and Patricia Kellogg (9) were members of the 4th hour study hall class that volunteered to sort through the clothing donated at Christmas time. These girls liked some of the clothing so well that they decided to do a fashion show.





**Left:** Monica Gutierrez and Tara Rollo get caught in the junior high hallways. The freshmen often try to take a shortcut to their lockers by going through the junior high risking a chance of being written up.



# Planet of the Frogs

*Patti Jo Owens*

The year is 2000. The atmosphere is very froggy. We welcome you to the planet of the frogs. The planet of the frogs consists of 124 frogs. These frogs will unfortunately be hit by a virus in their fourth year of high school. The virus is called "senioritis". This is not a rare disease, and almost all frogs will be infected with it by the end of the first semester of their senior year. Frogs beware, this disease is very dangerous and contagious.

Gaining computer knowledge is necessary in today's world. Learning the computer program and key commands in Mrs. French's class are Rachel McColly, Eveliss Lleras and Augie Reyes.



Karla Broman  
Christopher Bunnel  
Carmille Calung  
John Camacho  
Christopher Campbell

Jack Carrol  
Julie Castillo  
Matthew Cerros  
Justin Cherry  
Steven Clair

Billie Jo Cobb  
Joshua Dick  
Brandi Dodd  
Leonard Dooley  
Joshua Drake

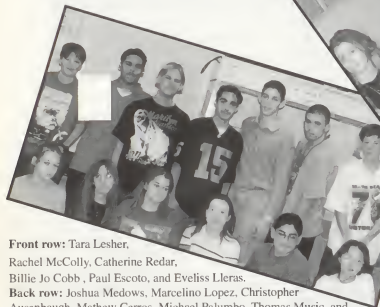
Paul Escoto  
Angela Espinosa  
Patricia Fields  
Dimitrius Figueroa  
Brittany Finchum



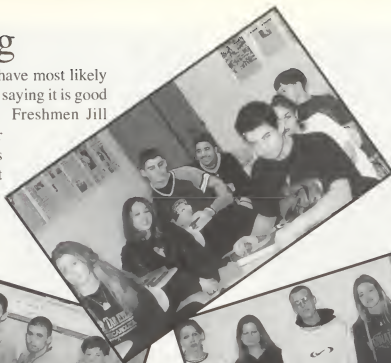


# Fighting

Most teenagers by the age of 14 have most likely have been in at least one fight. We are not saying it is good to get into fights, but it does happen. Freshmen Jill Haussman says, "I have been in a fight or two, but eventually we became friends again." So why bother? Violence is not the answer.



**Front row:** Tara Leshner, Rachel McColly, Catherine Redar, Billie Jo Cobb, Paul Escoto, and Eveliss Lleras.  
**Back row:** Joshua Medows, Marcelino Lopez, Christopher Ausenbaugh, Mathew Cerros, Michael Palumbo, Thomas Music, and Jeremy Rosenbaum are members of Mrs. Nolan's 7th hour earth science class. The students began the year learning about rocks and even had hands on activities with a wide variety of rock samples.



CLASS  
OF  
2000

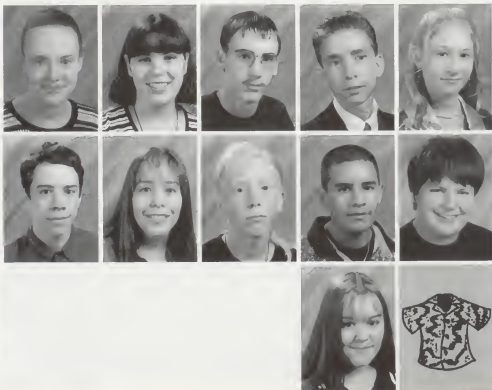
**Back row:** Jennifer Powers, Stephanie Svantner, Leonard Dooley, Della Alexander, and Jeremiah Good. **Front row:** David Sharp, Robert Alger, and Daniel White are members of the seventh hour study hall class. Mrs. Ripperdan is in charge of the study hall room again this year and the class is held in the science lecture hall.

**Left:** Cheryl Baskoff, Christina Orr, David Beliles, Orlando Irizarry, Bryan Wise, Evelia Madrigal and George Kingery enjoy Mr. Stanford's stories in his 7th hour geography class.

Monica Gaboian  
 Jessica Galati  
 Charles Garber  
 Billy Garner  
 Erin Geier

Paul Goldsmith  
 Lily Gonzalez  
 Jeremiah Good  
 David Guzman  
 Brandon Halford

Jill Haussman  
 Jeffrey Easton



# Class "2000"



Ashley Hawkins  
Jean Hawkins  
Daniel Henderson  
Wayne Hill  
Kenneth Hite

Brandon Hursell  
Nazih Ibrahim  
Olando Irizarry  
Mason Ishii  
Lino Jackson

Mandi Jemenko  
Edward Jimenez  
Jeffrey Johnson  
Valerie Karpinski  
George Kingery

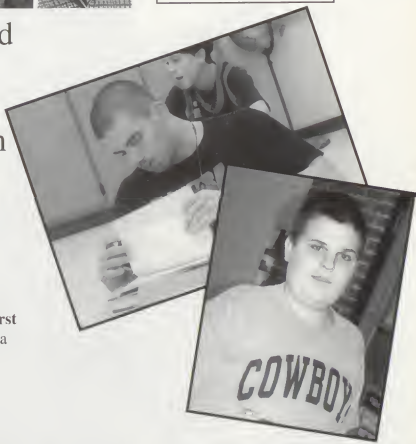
What is your favorite food  
from the cafeteria?



The freshmen  
class  
responded....



**Cheese Pizza ranked first**  
27% chose cheese pizza  
out of 52 responses



**Top:** Tomas Music is organizing his papers for Mrs. Nolan's class.

**Bottom:** Michael Vckov was allowed to leave math class to go to his locker during seventh period.



**French fries ranked second**  
8% chose fries out of 52  
responses



# Freshmen

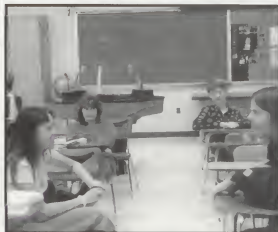


**Top left corner:** During Spirit Week Katherine Mock got involved with room decorating the art room courtyard.

**Middle:** Paul Escoto is caught leaving Mrs. Nolan's class. He was going to band to get his work.

**Top right:** Freshmen, Leonard Dooley and David Dishno are in study hall during seventh period and are gossiping about what to do after school.

**Right:** While waiting for the bell to ring Eveliss Lleras and Christopher Ausenbaugh are having a conversation in Mrs. Nolan's class.



Brandon Knight  
Edward Knox  
Joseph Kreider  
Tara Leshner  
Amy Levenduski

Troy Lewis  
Eveliss Lleras  
Marcelino Lopez  
Evelia Madrigal  
Christopher Majka

Kristin Manita  
Aleasha Martinez  
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Joshua Medows

Stephanie Mendez  
Iliana Mercado  
Jeremy Milbrandt  
Brandon Mills  
Katherine Mock





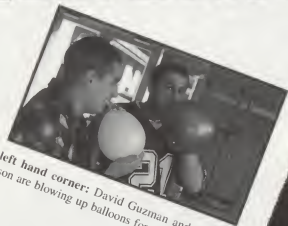
# Class "2000"



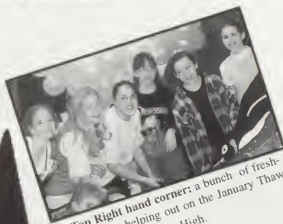
Jennifer Morales  
Anthony Morrison  
Thomas Music  
Ronald Nelson  
Betty Nickovich

Cassandra Ohmann  
Christina Orr  
Michael Palumbo  
Timothy Pochron  
Jonathan Pomales

Nicole Porras  
Bethany Poweska  
Crystal Ramos  
Gary Ray  
Catherine Redar



Top left hand corner: David Guzman and Anthony Morrison are blowing up balloons for room decorating.



Top Right hand corner: a bunch of freshmen girls helping out on the January Thaw Dance for the Junior High.



Left: Timothy Pochron stands up in the parade float dressed as a magician for his class of 2000.

Right: Leah Silverthorn prepares the junior high gym on January 27 for the January Thaw Dance.



# Freshmen

Christopher Redar  
Augie Reyes  
Kelly Riggins  
Carrie Ring  
Richard Rollensen

Tara Rollo  
Jeremy Rosenbaum  
Alexander Santana  
Priscila Santiago  
David Sharp

Meachelle Sherman  
Leah Silverthorn  
James Spencer  
Jennifer Stearns  
Asa Stone

Stephanie Svantner  
Jeremy Tabor  
Lacey Taylor  
Glenn Trimble  
Chris Tsimalis  
John Thomas Tucker



Above: Jeremy Milbrandt and Augie Reyes got distracted by the picture being taken in the freshmen English grammar class.

Left: Lino Jackson has to sit outside of the classroom for disturbing Mrs. Pappas's class during seventh hour.

# Class "2000"



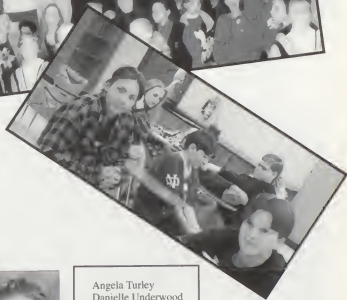
**Top left:** A lot of freshmen gathered together to take a picture in Mrs. Pappas's room during English class.



**Center:** Tara Rollo got caught wondering in the halls when she was suppose to be going to class.



**Bottom right:** All the freshmen are cheering on the football team for the homecoming game against North Judson on Friday, October 4th.



**Below:** Joshua Drake, Dimitrius Figueroa, and Joshua Medows finish their science assignment before the bell. The students relax while Mrs. Nolan explains the next homework assignment.



Angela Turley  
Danielle Underwood  
Michael Vckov  
Mitchell Wahlman  
Jennifer Westerhout



Daniel White  
Bryan Wise



# Sophomore Class Officers



**Sophomore Class Officers:** Above back row: Roxzanne Hamilton, Jillian Underwood, Miss Goza, and Sarah Woynaroski. Back row: Amber Hertaus and Shannon Clendaniel.

President: Shannon Clendaniel  
Vice-President: Sarah Woynaroski  
Secretary: Roxzanne Hamilton  
Treasurer: Jillian Underwood  
Girls' Rep.: Amber Hertaus

## Class of '99

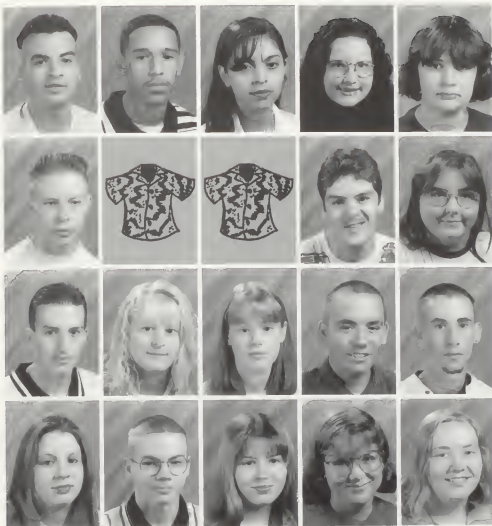
**Below:** Nicolas McWhirter working out during Mr. Hepps' body conditioning class.



**Left:** Sandra Hampton and Natalie McColly study in Mrs. Randolphs' class for their chemistry final.



# Sophomores



Joel Aceves  
Luis Agront  
Susana Alvarez  
Lora Andrews  
Ericka Ard

Bobby Arvin  
Ray Bayron  
Lee Ann Beliles  
William Best  
Amanda Bogard

Corey Bolton  
Wendy Branson  
Carol Brown  
James Brown  
Brandon Brumley

Jessica Brunker  
Jason Caine  
Ericka Castillo  
Kristal Cepavicius  
Heather Choate



Above: Tatiana Hurtado, Erica Stevens, and Angela Monsivais stop to show off their pretty smiles.

Left: Amanda Shannon and Vanessa Justice take a break from studying for their Spanish final.



# Class of 1999

Shannon Clendaniel  
Justin Click  
Philip Clifford  
Jennifer Coe  
Crystal Cooper

Joplin Corradino  
Michelle Corral  
Joi Coubal  
Nathaniel Croy  
Pedro Cruz

Rodney D'Azzena  
Corinna Draper  
Tony Elliott  
Amanda Ellis  
Trinidad Escoto

Teresa Gadzala  
Kimberly Garner  
Tasha Gasper  
Shannon Gerber  
Meredith Glotzbach



**Far right:** Roxzanne Hamilton, Heather Richmond, Rachel Lawson, Crystal Cooper, Teresa Gadzala, Heather Choate, and Angel Sandefur gather around the ladder they used to decorate the classroom with. It was also pajama day of spirit week.

**Bottom:** Sophomores scream at the pep session to show off their spirit.



# Sophomores



Daniel Gonzalez  
Maria Gonzalez  
Clinton Grigsby  
Jerry Hamilton  
Roxzanne Hamilton



Sandra Hampton  
Alan Harford  
Roy Edward Haviza  
Diana Henderson  
David Heridia



Amber Hertaus  
Joshua Holland  
Ruth Holmes  
Julie Huddleston  
Jonathan Hursell



Tatiana Hurtado  
Daniel Huskisson  
Brian Johnson  
Justin Johnson  
Crystal Jones

## FIELD TRIPS

Some classes at Edison do not take field trips. The ever famous field trips that are taken are the Spanish Club trip and the DECA trip which they go down state every year. Some people have different opinions about field trips. "We need to take some," said Mark Stanley. Leslie Llerena says, "I think field trips are a great experience for students."

The teachers here have a different opinion. Mr. Hepp explains, "I think they are okay if they are educational." All kinds of opinions are flying around at Lake Station, Edison High School.



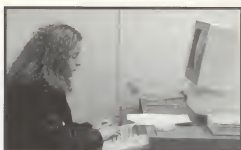


Michelle Corral gives a mischevious look after being caught roaming around during seventh hour. She says she was going to the office but we really know what she was up to.



Above: Luciana Melendez works hard to get an A on her Algebra make-up test.

Above: John Palumbo takes notes to study for his final exam in chemistry I.



Below: Jillian Underwood types her report in Mrs. French's typing class.

Below: Joplhn Corradino, Brian Williams, Dawn Lopez and other sophomores are busy working on their classwork in Mr. Krieger's health class.



Vanessa Justice  
Amy Kaiser  
Angelo Karagiannakis  
Jesse Keith  
Timothy Kenney

Dennis Kerns  
Rachel Lawson  
Dale Lindsey  
Dawn Lopez  
Natalie McColly

Jessica McDaniel  
Michael McGinley  
Nicholas McWhirter  
Luciana Melendez  
Robert Minder

Angela Monsivais  
Tanya Moore  
Glen Morse  
Amanda Nauta  
Pamela O'Neill



# Sophomores



**Left:** Valerie Thomas and Tiffany Owens help decorate for the January Thaw dance. Miss Goza let a few upper classmen attend.

**Below:** Teresa Gadzala also helps to bring out the best in the dance by hanging up balloons.



Edward Ortiz  
Tiffany Owens  
John Palumbo  
Shane Perez  
Leann Pierce

Valerie Pomaes  
Candy Powers  
Kristina Purcell  
Jonda Raley  
Marshall Ralston

Steven Ralston  
Fernando Ramirez  
Paul Redar  
Heather Richmond  
Janie Rieck



# Class of 1999

Amadelys Rivera  
Melissa Rixie  
Daniel Robb  
Gregory Roberts  
Nick Roper

Angel Sandefur  
Patrick Santana  
Tricia Santos  
Jesse Schmidt  
Lisa Seals

Jennifer Self  
Amanda Shannon  
Nancy Shimer  
Brad Snodgrass



Sophomores, what do you do after the school day?



John Tsahas is happy to get his things and go home after a long day of school.



Greg Varella and Michelle Corral pose for the camera. They are as close as brother and sister.

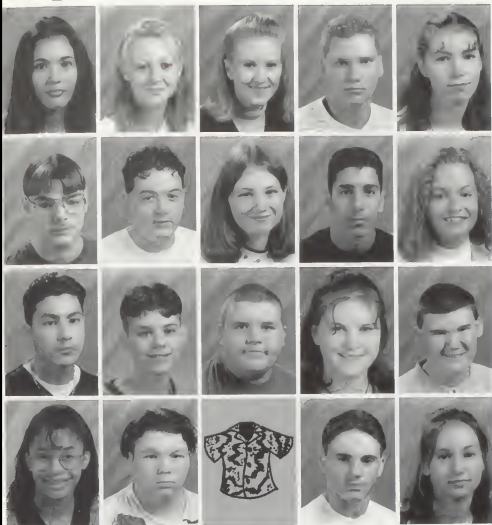
19% Nothing

59% Sports

6% Musical



# Sophomores



Erica Stevens  
Jessica Stivanson  
Rebecca Stokes  
Matthew Swider  
Shelley Tarnowski

Joe Taylor  
Patrick Taylor  
Valerie Thomas  
John Tsahas  
Jillian Underwood

Greg Varella  
Aaron Vaughan  
Frederick Vehrs  
Kristin Warner  
Daniel Wasowicz

Shannon White  
William White  
James Wilkerson  
Brian Williams  
Lisha Willis

The type of clothes most students like to wear:

- 42% Say it does not matter just be comfortable
- 26% Would rather wear NIKE clothes
- 15% Wear Levi's
- 15% Like Calvin Klein

# Class of 1999



David Wilson  
James Wilson  
Richard Wilson  
Joseph Witt  
John Woodward

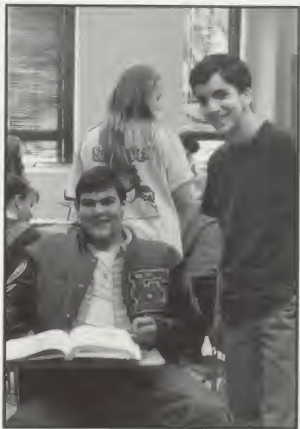
Sarah Woynaroski  
Heather Wright  
Brian Yanez  
Mayra Zepeda



Above: Julie Huddleston and Dawn Lopez sign request sheets to see Mrs. Gertz for scheduling.



Above: Amber Hertaus showing us she's not camera shy.



Above: Brian Johnson and Brian Yanez are working on a group activity during English class.

# Junior Class Officers



Above: Christopher Suarez, Daniel Perryman, Jeanine Snoder, Cheryl Sanchez, Angela Sebella, and sponsor Mrs. Randolph.

President: Christopher Suarez  
Vice-President: Daniel Perryman  
Secretary: Jeanine Snoder  
Treasurer: Cheryl Sanchez  
Girls' Rep.: Angela Sabella  
Boys' Rep.: Jose DelValle

# Class of '98



Above: Junior Jeremy Gibson, Senior Brad Westerhout and Junior Daniel Perryman are studying for a quiz in Mr. Dobrichs' 7th hour class.



Above: Juniors sit around gossiping in Mrs. Plotners' 6th hour trigonometry class.

# Class of 1998

Erica Aceves  
Brandon Antkowiak  
Jeremy Archer  
Brandi Beck  
Christina Beliles

Marcella Benard  
Amber Bernitsen  
Jason Black  
Amanda Bowen  
William Bowen

David Bravo  
Sandra Briseno  
Joshua Broman  
Michael Brown  
Nicole Brumley

Juan Burgos  
Heather Burns  
Jayson Butt  
Jennifer Butt  
Yolanda Campos



**Right:** Andrea Norman is caught leaving the art room as she borrows supplies from Mrs. Georgion.

**Far Right:** Jeanine Snoder and Leslie Grant stop for just a second to show us their cheesy smiles as they are on their way to class.



# Juniors



Mandy Cannon  
Aaron Carter  
Jennifer Catlin  
Erica Chadwick  
Jason Cherry

Monica Lizette Cintron  
Ernest Cochran  
Robert Coffman  
Jolene Corley  
Andrew Costa

Tony Crayne  
Jason Croft  
Karen Cruz  
Carri Cuellar  
Autumn Degard

Jose DelValle  
Heather Dodd  
David Eckhard  
Peter Fatouros  
Kevin Fedor



Left: Aaron Carter is caught skateboarding through Central Center during window painting.



Above: Juniors yell as loud as possible during the homecoming pep session to try and win the spirit trophy.



# Class of 1998

Michael Felker  
Lacey Finchum  
Christina Forrest  
Erick Garcia  
Tony Garcia

Jeremy Gibson  
Dale Ginter  
Richardo Gonzalez  
Shannon Gorbey  
Michael Gotsis

Leslie Grant  
Billy Gray  
Joel Grinder  
Jenifer Gruett  
Sheryl Haskell

Justin Haussman  
Charity Heims  
Tara Henderson  
Crystal Heredia  
Christine Hoffman



**Above:** Bianca Scott and Melissa Robertson are wearing their Santa hats to show their Christmas spirit during the canned food drive.

# Juniors



Jeremy Holland  
Michael Hopkins  
Nicole Howell  
Kellie Huddleston  
Andrea Jackson



Cindy Johnson  
Mindy Kania  
Benjamin Kienzynski  
Patti Knight  
Aron Kollins



Lisa Koukol  
Kelly Krayniak  
Dale Lambert  
Adrienne Leary  
Tonya Lewis



Melonie Longanetti  
Rebecca Lugo  
Kevin Martin  
Noah Martin  
Jamie McEwen



Melissa McGinley



# Class of 1998

Holly McMullen  
Deziree Melendez  
John Melendez  
Javier Mercado  
Jason Milbrandt

Sarah Minder  
Linda Moore  
Kenneth Nelson  
Kenneth Nieves  
Andrea Norman

Michael Nush  
Joshua O'Dell  
John Obermeyer  
Brian Owens  
Elizabeth Pavich

Robert Pavich  
Mathew Pavuk  
Richard Perez  
Daniel Perryman  
Mark Piet



John Melendez sometimes hangs out with Mr. Ayers after school to get some extra help with Math.



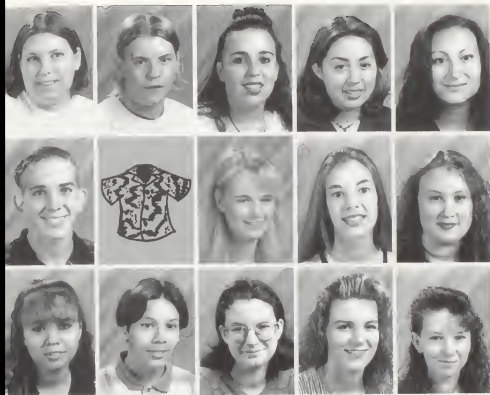
Raymond Stone poses in front of our school's Valentines day display, showing off his big heart.



Kristy Taylor had a long day at school and now she's going home, to continue with her school work.



# Juniors



Cynthia Pitman  
Larry Pridemor  
Nicole Radusin  
Elizabeth Ramirez  
Roxanna Ramos

Donald Robb  
Eric Robbins  
Melissa Robertson  
Rhonda Rokicki  
Lisa Rowan

Cheryl Sanchez  
Christopher Santana  
Andrea Scheidt  
TommiLynne Schmidt  
Bianca Scott

Jose DelValle shows off his smile which is not usual during wrestling practice.



Dale Ginter takes a break while the rest of the wrestling team runs during practice.



Michael Felker stops and wishes he could get a drink of water.

# Class of 1998

Angela Sebella  
Tammi Serbin  
Eric Shiplov  
Lori Sichtermann  
Jeanine Snoder

Patricia Spencer  
Mark Stanley  
Trijuana Starks  
Deborah Stojanovich  
Raymond Stone

Christopher Suarez  
Sarr Sullivan  
Kristy Taylor  
Kristy Tellez  
Tony Valpatie

Claudia Vega  
Jessica Wade  
Tonya Wade  
Jennifer Waugaman  
Jennifer Wells



Junior Dale Ginter hangs out with his "best bud" sophomore Brian Williams.





# Juniors



Katrina West  
Christopher Wheeler  
Tanay White  
Nickole Wildrick  
Anthony Wilson

Andrea Wise  
Thomas Woodward  
Jonathan Wright  
Rebecca Wright  
Jorge Zepeda

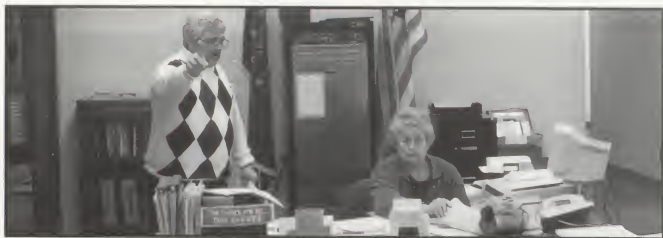
Justin Zerza



Above: Junior Rhonda Rokicki and senior Jason Constandaras pose for one last picture together.

Left: Rebecca Wright poses with her "turtle backpack" that she got for Christmas.

# FACULTY DIVISION PAGE



## COMPUTER TRANSMISSION FROM POLICE DEPARTMENT:

*We have searched and searched for your missing faculty, a one Mr. Cosgrove and one Mr. Levenda, still we can not find them. Our radarsystem shows no nuclear rocket and no means to move one. We have reason to believe that this is in fact, a hoax.*

*Wait this just in, we have a bleep on screen...*

Mr. LoCascio

"We're in a whole lotta trouble."

*it appears to be a Soviet Class Two Warhead. Hold on we are picking up some kind of audio fuzz, it sounds like laughter...*

Mrs. Manley

"They should ask permission to store that thing in the cafeteria."

*The bleep appears to be fading...*

Mrs. Mitchell

"Get' em quick before they do any more damage."

*They're gone, we lost the signal. Is there any information or a statement that any member of your faculty could give us to help with the apprehension of these fellows.*

Mrs. Ripperdan

"Good luck boys."

*Joshua Alderson*



# Superintendent's Office

**Dr. Charles Costa**  
*Superintendent*

**Mr. Dan DeHaven**  
*Assistant Superintendent*

**Mr. Nick Georgion**  
*Pupil Personnel Director*



## School Board

**Front row:** Dr. Charles Costa, Larry Biggs, and Liz Redar. **Back row:** Dan DeHaven, Steven Beres, Roger Fisher, and James Vanderlin.



## Secretaries

**Front:** Pat Mathis.  
**Back row:** Barbara Stokes, Linda Ross, and Joyce Hodges.



## High School Administration

**Mr. Jeff Jones**  
*Principal*

**Mrs. Nadine Brown**  
*Assistant Principal*



## Suspension

"They don't bring  
their books."  
*Mrs. Manley*

# I

## n-School Alternative Services

*Susan Ishii*

The idea of In-School Suspension Service (ISAS) is to continue the educational program of a student during the student discipline. The goal is to reduce the number of days of out of school suspension and to improve overall attendance. When a student is assigned to ISAS, that student is not allowed to participate in any school activities for that day.

Surprisingly, your parents are the ones who requested ISAS. Believe it or not Mrs. Brown didn't start the program, it wasn't her idea. She just happened to be in the one in charge of it and the program started the same year she started working at Edison.

Mrs. Manley (ex-parole officer) is in charge of the ISAS classroom and her rules are simple; you must bring your books, paper, and pencil; no talking; and you must complete

your work or you return to ISAS the following day. When asked which rules is most often broken Mrs. Manley replied, "They don't bring their books." Students eat their lunch in the classroom and they are only allowed to go to the restroom twice during the day supervised by an adult.

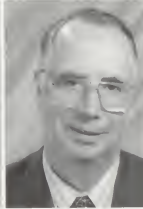
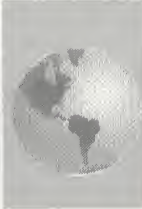
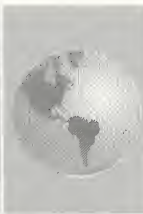
The most common grade in attendance are the junior high students. Mrs. Manley said that more boys than girls are assigned to the program.

Any student assigned to ISAS is given an unexcused absence from their regular class. However, most assignments that the students are given to complete while in ISAS are the regular class assignments, which allows them to keep up with the rest of the class.



**Mike Adamik**  
Math  
**Michelle Anderson**  
Secretary  
**Jan Arreola**  
L. D. Aide  
**Dan Ayres**  
Math

**Stephanie Bauer**  
Learning Disabled  
**David Brooks**  
History  
**Thomas Campbell**  
Counselor  
**Caryn Cliffl**  
Choir



Corey Bolton (10) and Jamie Daniels (12) are learning the letters on the keyboard in Mrs. French's 5th hour class, which is required for graduation.

Miss Cliffl gets into the Halloween spirit by dressing up as a table with all of the trimmings. Miss Cliffl borrowed the costume from elementary teacher Kelly Schmeltzer.







**Joseph Cortese**

*English*

**James Cosgrove**

*Government/Economics*

**Gayle Dickinson**

*Home Economics*

**Mike Dobrich**

*French*



## Students

"Reading aloud is better than reading to yourself."  
*Jeff Easton (9)*

# R

## eadings Aloud in class

*Joshua Alderson*

Normally in every class teachers like to seep information into the minds of the students by asking them to read aloud. In the minds of some students this is a form of self embarrassment. To read in front of a whole classroom and to studder or slurr a word, one could get laughed at or ridiculed.

Other students find it as a chance to let out some of the pressures or to entertain by making it a fun learning experience. These students disguise they're voices as other people and make it loud to catch the ears of the listeners. David Bravo (11) says, "I don't read that much for a class, but it doesn't bother me to do it." Mark

During seventh hour Augie Reyes (9) reads aloud in Mrs. Pappas' freshmen English class. Jeremy Milbrant (9) listens to Augie read the new grammar rules.

Stanley (11) replied, "Its a waste of time because no one pays attention anyway." In closing Jeff Easton (9) ended it by saying, "Reading aloud is better than reading to yourself."





# Staff



**Marcia Dow**  
*Librian*  
**Tom Ford**  
*Work Study*  
**Jeanne French**  
*Business*  
**Jody Gawthrop**  
*Special Ed.*



**Jan Georgion**  
*Art & Yearbook*  
**Joyce Gertz**  
*Counselor*  
**Rebecca Gierke**  
*Business*  
**Caye Girgenti**  
*Band*



**Gayle Green**  
*Athletic Director*  
**Gary Hayes**  
*Physical Ed.*  
**Mike Hepp**  
*History*  
**Juan Hernandez**  
*Bilingual*



**Theresa Holt**  
*Home Ec.*  
**Jeff Kincaid**  
*Business*  
**Dan Koontz**  
*Industrial Arts*  
**Sandra Karaffa**  
*Psychomitrist*





**Charles Krieger**

*Health*

**Dorothy Laco**

*Secretary*

**Larry Levenda**

*English*

**Linda Llewellyn**

*Physical Education*



**Charles LoCascio**

*Dean*

**Larry Long**

*English*

**Joe Loscaro**

*A. V. & History*

**Pam McWhirter**

*Secretary*



**Marilyn Manley**

*Aide*

**Charles Mann**

*Band*

**Ida Marrero**

*Spanish*

**Cass Mattie**

*Aide*



**Gerri Mitchell**

*Secretary*

**Janet Nolan**

*Science*

**Rita Pappas**

*English & Newspaper*

**Deb Perryman**

*Secretary*





**Charlene Plotner**

*Math*

**Julie Randolph**

*Science*

**Peggy Ripperdan**

*Aide*

**Lon Salomon**

*Math*

**Dave Sickman**

*Industrial Arts*

**Denise Spanopoulos**

*Nurse*

**Doug Stanford**

*History*

**Bonnie Sykes**

*Bookkeeper*

**Maria Tsahas**

*English*

**Eleanor Vanderlin**

*Secretary*

**Tanya Wheeler**

*Physical Education*

**Luke Zeheralis**

*Science*

**Left: Night Custodial Staff:** Katherine Morikas, Diana Wright, Sherilyn Owens, Galen Whitledge, Tracy Johnson, and Georgia Bryant.

**Day Custodial Staff:** Charles Scanlon and Steve Rodrick.



# Staff



**Right: Bus drivers:**  
**Back row:** Tina Mientenmeyer, Karen Nauta, Georgia Alvarado, Stacy Gorby, Cindy Daniels, and Loretta Sabo. **Middle row:** Pat Scanlon, Maria Rocha, Peggy Coundiff, and Jeannie Ellis. **Front row:** Bernice Janiszewski.

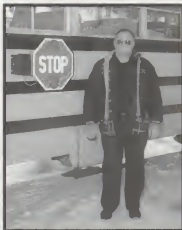


**Left:** Christopher Anderson is the inter-school mail carrier. He is a member of DECA and making the mail deliveries is his required job.



**Above: Cafeteria personnel:** Sharon Mantz, Connie Hendricks, Twylih Baker, Connie Clover, Ann Soto, Leedona O'Dell. **Not pictured:** Melanie Fazekas, Judy Trathen, Clara Spencer, and Jackie Karpinski.

**Below: Custodian:** Dale Bryant works a flexible schedule. His schedule depends on such things as the athletic schedule and the weather.



**Above:** Transportation Repairman: Fred Fazekas makes sure that all of the buses are in good running order before the bus inspections each August.

**Right:** Joyce Carr is responsible for a variety of jobs. She does laundry, trays in the cafeteria and also cleans the main office and nurse's office.



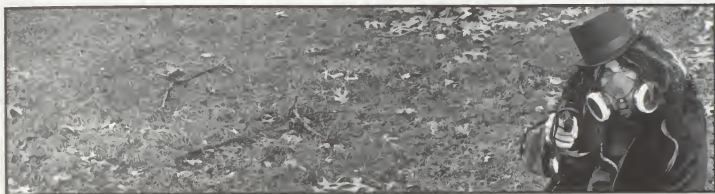
**Crossing Guard:** For years George Blystone has been guarding the students as they cross the railroad tracks. Mr. Blystone is father-in-law of our Assistant Superintendent, Mr. DeHaven.

**Below: Maintenance:** Jim Hoefflicker Sr., Jimmy Hoefflicker Jr., and Mark Bryan are in charge of doing repairs on all of the buildings and grounds in the Lake Station Community School system.





# ACTIVITIES DIVISION PAGE



*Searching through files and dusty folders, dripping faucet and art work, activity group pictures are uncovered. He searches through them circling the victims with mouths like waterfalls. Who would take a small simple rumor and turn it into a Paul Bunyan tall tale?*

Secret Person

Yes...maybe.

*He scratches his ear in deep thought, pulls the Booster Club group picture.*

Secret Person

*Well, a dime and a nickle, couldn't trust her, no, no, he does not accept bad news from any source. Realizing any pain and discomfort would be his fault...fault a word he does not know. Already he has caused a scuffle between his neighbors and the Surgeon General, but now it's his last high school year there must be some restitution from old events.*

Secret Person

How about the French club?

(He looks to his left)

No, to boring, gossipers are a hard band to trust.

*He stands and loads the cassette player, Pixies playing loudly behind him. Over to the phone dialing in sequence to the music.*

Ring

Ring

Secret Person

Hello...yes, I realize you told me to never call here again, but I was curious. How much would it cost for a bouquet of green Lillies?



## R u m o r s :

Tales are told better over and over with special added features provided by the listeners. If you hear a rumor it is best left secret, but what do we know of keeping secrets, they don't teach it in school.



# Aactivities

**Below:** A few band students are putting on a show for us by dancing before the Pop Concert



There are a variety of activities for students here at Edison. Some of the clubs that students can join are: Student Council, FBLA, Deca, Spanish Club, etc.. Students can try out for choir, band, join Edisonian Yearbook, or help out the Eagle Feathers. The different clubs helps out in many ways, like The Christmas Food Drive that helped the needy. Many of the clubs help sponsor and decorate for the 8th grade.



**Left:** The Student Council helped many families in this year's Christmas Food Drive. **Bottom:** Edward Martyka is enjoying himself while helping the FBLA decorate the 8th grade *Moonlight and Roses*



**Left:** The Eagle Feathers work very hard on the school's newspaper and are now passing it out to the students.



# "I Will Remember You"



## Prom Night '97



Seniors Jennifer Lazaro and Randy Mortaya look psyched as they walk the Grand March, and know a night of wonderful memories is about to happen.



A group of seniors do the electric slide, and for a lot of them this will be the last time they will dance with their class.



Prom is the perfect night for couples to get a little closer to one another as junior Jennifer Wells and senior Nathan Ellis show in this picture.



Senior Edward Martyka has managed to lift our spirits all year and with his dancing magic, he gives us one more chance.



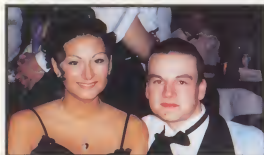
A group of students, dancing the night away, don't even notice the camera they are having so much fun. Pastels was a popular color for the girl's dresses. This group is a good example of that.



Senior Nicole Hill, her date, senior Monica Johnson, her date Thomas Throw a graduate of 1996, seniors Kelly Mote, and Richard Mackanos gather together, for a picture before entering prom.



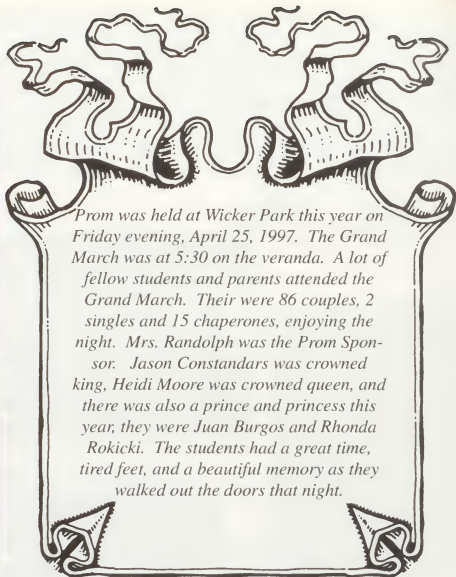
Senior Trina Villarruel dances on enjoying every minute of prom, and shows the true party animal that she is.



Junior Roxanna Ramos and senior Kenneth Whittleledge sit down for awhile to rest after a long night of dancing.



This year's Prom Queen and King shown on right are Jason Constandars and Heidi Moore, also this year there was a prince and princess Juan Burgos and Rhonda Rokicki.



Prom was held at Wicker Park this year on Friday evening, April 25, 1997. The Grand March was at 5:30 on the veranda. A lot of fellow students and parents attended the Grand March. Their were 86 couples, 2 singles and 15 chaperones, enjoying the night. Mrs. Randolph was the Prom Sponsor. Jason Constandars was crowned king, Heidi Moore was crowned queen, and there was also a prince and princess this year, they were Juan Burgos and Rhonda Rokicki. The students had a great time, tired feet, and a beautiful memory as they walked out the doors that night.



President of the Junior Class, Christopher Suarez gives welcoming speech to start the evening.

# Graduation 1997



Salutatorian, Misty Rosenstein gives her speech, "The End of Our Journey," reminding the graduates the end of their journey as adolescents has come, now they must continue as young adults, and as time goes by, as adults.



Valedictorian, Dimo Vekov reads a poem entitled, "The Puzzle of Life". Explaining how lives are one big puzzle, and graduating today will add another great piece of the puzzle to the members of the class of 1997.



President of the Class of 1997, Athena Welbourne welcomes everyone and wishes them a great future. She also dedicates the graduation in memory of Mr. Levenda, and Andrew Figueroa.



Dr. Kosmas J. Kayes, graduate of the Class of 1982 addresses the graduates, informing them of how the role in life each one will play, will be a major part of the whole circle, whatever their role may be.



Soon to be graduates look on impatiently, joke around, try to take it all in and believe they've finally reached one of their important destinations in life, some cry as they see their friends going up to get their piece of their puzzle, wondering if their roads will ever cross again after this essential day in their lives.







The 63rd Annual Commencement was held June 8, 1997 at 2:00 p.m.. A windy, but beautiful and successful day for the Class of 1997. The Class Colors are Green and Gold, the Class Flower the Red Rose, and the Class Moto is, "This is not the end, nor the beginning of the end; This is the end of the beginning. The President of the class - Athena Welbourne, Vice-President - Christina Childers, Treasurer - Sara Fugate, Secretary - Tiffany Hester, Boys' Representative - Bradley Westerhout, and Girls' Representative - Jennifer Lazaro. The band and choir performed "Power of the Dream" together. Also, the choir performed "The River". The band guided the beginning and the end of the ceremony with the "Processional," and the "Recessional". Dr. Kosmas J. Kayes, an honored guest at commencement, addressed the graduates, and their family and friends with a speech, filling them with a good feeling as they realized more and more that their day had come. Now they have found not the end, nor the beginning of the end, but the end of the beginning.



A group of people no longer called Seniors, but graduates instead, throw their caps up as part of a tradition, symbolizing the end of the ceremony and the beginning of a new life.



Seniors involved in choir latch on to one another as they perform "The River" with their former class members.



Senior Edward Martyka hugs Miss Girgenti, the band director, expressing how much he's going to miss band fourth hour and second lunch on his schedule, while on his road into the future.



Senior Lisa Kroledge leads the walk during the processional, carrying the roses her father gave to her.



# Spirit Week Dress Up Days



Sophomores Roxzanne Hamilton, Tatiana Hurtado, Amanda Ellis, Jillian Underwood, Angela Monsivais, and Manda Nauta join in on sports day.



Seniors Trina Villarruel and Latrica Faught pose as hippies on Hippy Day.



Freshmen Brittaney Finchum, Jacalyn Bolleys, Julie Castillo, Rachel McColly, Nicole Porras, Danielle Underwood, Katherine Mock, and Jeremy Milbrandt show off their class colors.



Juniors Rebecca Wright and Karen Cruz pause for a quick snooze on pajama day.



Spirit week was great this year. Monday made you sleepy with pajama day. Tuesday was a flashback to the hippy era with hippy day. Wednesday you could plainly see the rivalry with the class colors day. Thursday got us in the mood for Friday's game with sports day. On Friday the red and black we saw, put a gleam of determination in our eyes. The results of the Spirit Days were as follows: sophomores in first, juniors in second, freshmen in third, and seniors in fourth place.



# Homecoming Room Decorations



Juniors Joel Grinder, Jessica Wade, and Amanda Bowen standing next to the display of their class room decoration.



Seniors Cheryl Crawford, Tina D' Azzena, Sarah Hopper, Veronica Alvarez, Lisa Kroledge, Susan Ishii, and Nichole Hill take a second from their busy work to create a winning decoration.

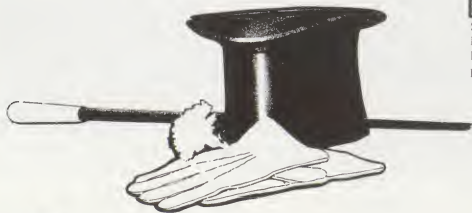


Freshman Tara Rollo decorates with homecoming spirit for the room decorating competition.

Walking into the rooms of Mr. Krieger, Mrs. Plotner, Mrs. Georgion, and Mr. Salomon was a magical experience. Showing that all four classes had no place to hide their talent. The turn-out this year was as follows: sophomores with first, seniors with second, freshmen with third, and juniors coming in at fourth.



Sophomores Robert Minder, Tatiana Hurtado, Roxzanne Hamilton, Brian Johnson, Nicholas McWhirter, Amber Hertaus, and Jillian Underwood show off their first place magical scene.



As the chants of the classes roared through the air the sophomores rose for their moment in the spot light, shattered by a flying junior, Rebecca Wright.



## Almost Anything Goes "Games"

This year almost anything did go for the so called games. The games were more like a fight, to see who could get the most points for homecoming week. As it turned out there was a large variety of games for people to try. There were 13 games, some of which were separated into girl and boy categories. This was a jolly event for the students and parents who attended.

The games were lighted by a full moon and sparkling stars. The results of the games were seniors 4th, juniors 1st, sophomores 2nd, and freshmen 3rd place. As one of the event attendees, Nola Richardson stated, "It was a high point of the year for me."



Junior Jennifer Catlin in war paint bearing the chants of her fellow class members pulls with all of her strength to try to beat the opposing team.

Freshmen Jeremy Milbrant, Leah Silverthorn, Wayne Hill, and Kristin Manta grip with strong hands in the attempt to quicken their teammates for the win.

Seniors Heidi Moore and Monica Johnson baton Christopher anderson between their arms to begin the boys baton race.

# The Crowning of the King at the Pep Session



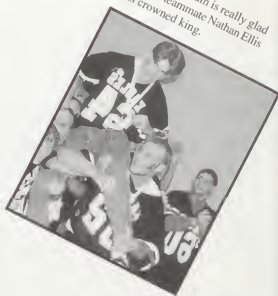
**Above:** Nathan finally gets to be king. He was crowned during the Friday pep session before the big game.

**Below:** The cheerleaders really get everyone involved doing the Macarena, even Mr. LoCascio.



The crowning of the Homecoming King was highly anticipated by everyone during the pep session.

Nathan Ellis was crowned King. The other candidates were: Christopher Anderson, James Beck, Ryan Haas, and Steven Szakacs. The king was chosen by a vote of the student body.



The football team is really glad that their teammate Nathan Ellis was crowned King.



**Above:** The football team gets everyone spirits ready for the homecoming game against North Newton.

**Below:** Seniors Athena Welbourne and Megan Schammert perform the school song at the pep session.



**Below:** Rhonda Rokicki escorts king candidate Steven Szakacs during the homecoming pep session.





# '96 Homecoming Parade



**Above:**  
Some people  
just clowned  
around.

**Below left:** Freshmen stop and wave on  
their float during the parade. **Below right:**  
Sophomores can barely fit in this truck.



**Below:**  
The march-  
ing band  
walk down  
the streets  
of Lake  
Station  
during the  
parade.



**Above:** Two unknown  
people dress up and join  
the parade.

**Below:** Some Senior  
football players ride in  
the back of a black  
truck, a couple of them  
even look at the cam-  
era.



**Above left:** Juniors ride  
in a red truck not quite  
as packed as the sopho-  
mores.

**Above right:** Seniors  
pull their float and  
don't seem to be as en-  
thusiastic as the other  
classes.





# The Magical Floats of '96



Right: Freshmen float came in 2nd.



Below: Seniors float came in 4th.



The Student Council members picked this year's theme MAGIC.' Although many students worked hard on the floats, but, only one could come in first, which turned out to be the sophomores, second came the freshmen, juniors were third and coming in last were the seniors.



Above: Juniors float came in 3rd.



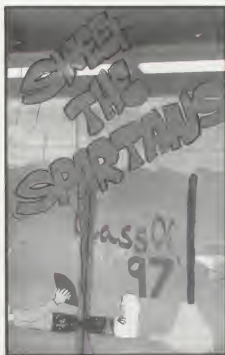
Left: Sophomores float came in first.



# '96 Window Painters



Above: ( Freshman) Jacalyn Bolles gets into the spirit as she paints a window with an Edison E on her cheek.



Above: Seniors painted the town, but didn't stick around to have their pictures taken.

Window painting is the day we paint the town during spirit week and find out which class is the best. This year the sophomore class came in first with the seniors following in second. The juniors placed third and the freshmen came in last.



Above: Tony Valpatic (Junior) is still smiling even though he got up early to help paint the town.

Below: Quite a few sophomores gather around to paint Cup-N-Saucer, coffee shop.





# Magic in the Making

## '96 Homecoming Dance



Above: Tara Henderson and her boyfriend Kenny seem to be having a great time at the '96 Homecoming dance.



Left: Adrian Vera seems to be having the time of his life with a balloon in his mouth and a girl in his hand, Lisha Willis seems to be enjoying herself also.

### King and Queen



Above: Homecoming King Nathan Ellis and Queen Athena Welbourne are having a great time getting treated like royalty, and showing off their smiles.

Below: Diana Henderson and her boyfriend Kenny Kramer cuddle close and pose for the camera.



Below: The Homecoming court members: Tina D'Azzena, Heidi Moore, Athena Welbourne, Maria Whalen, Nathan Ellis, Christopher Anderson, and Steven Szakacs dance the night away.





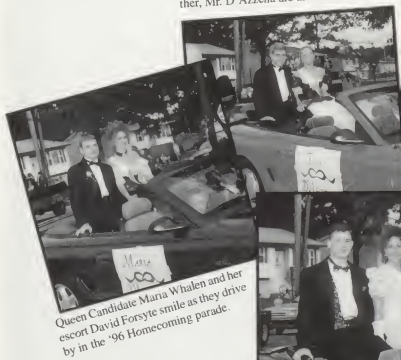
# '96 Homecoming Queen Candidates



Homecoming Queen Candidates 1996 Maria Whalen, Heidi Moore, Athena Welbourne, Tina D'Azzena, and Danielle Lopez.

Riding in a shiny red mustang Queen candidate Tina D'Azzena escorted by her father, Mr. D'Azzena are all smiles.

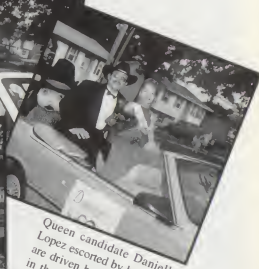
Queen candidate Heidi Moore escorted by her proud father stop for a quick picture.



Queen Candidate Maria Whalen and her escort David Forsythe smile as they drive by in the '96 Homecoming parade.



Pretty in pink, Queen candidate Athena Welbourne escorted by Robert Hart smile for the camera.



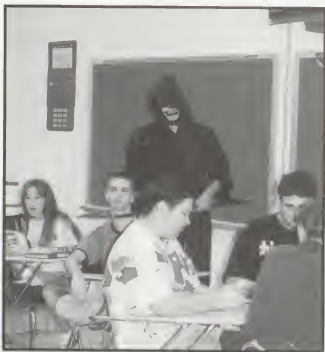
Queen candidate Danielle Lopez escorted by her father in the '96' Homecoming parade.





# RED RIBBON WEEK

## THERE IS NO PLACE TO HIDE THIS GREAT PROGRAM



During Mr. Salomon's Algebra class, the Grimm Reaper stalks Joel Grindler in attempt to kill him for smoking the wacky weed, as part of Red Ribbon week.



Marcus Guajardo (12), Jenifer Gruett (11), Veronica Alvarez (12), and Heather Dodd (11) perform a skit for the elementary students at Poik as part of Red Ribbon Week.

Red Ribbon week is a tradition for Edison. It happens every year. It was held October the 21st through the 28th this year. It's a time when the teachers and the students pledge to not do drugs or drink alcohol. In a way it's a week of dedication for the people who have died by the use of drugs and alcohol. Whether it was by the person's use or another's use. It's a serious time, but to liven it up some. We have a person (Grimm Reaper) go around and, for pretend, kill students. They are not aloud to talk to anyone all day, or else they will have to sing in front of the class. Each person also has to wear a sign around their necks to say how they died. They are all killed by some drug or alcohol situation. Hopefully it makes the users and drinkers that are alive, realize how dangerous drugs and alcohol really are.

This program is vital. It may not stop all, but it affects many. Everyone has pressure in their lives, and some believe that drinking and using are ways to vacate these pressures for awhile. These people also pressure others into thinking the same. This pressure exerted from one peer to another peer is called peer pressure. It happens everyday and a lot of people are victim to it. So the signs we use when the Grimm Reaper attacks are to show the foolishness of drinking and using with the sometimes funny, but possible reasons for dying, resulting from drug and alcohol use.



Jason Constandars (12), John Tsahas (10), and Tiffany Hester (12) play a part in this year's Red Ribbon Week. Jason was killed by a drunk driver. John's cause of death is unknown. Tiffany was killed by going bungee jumping without a bungee.

**Below:** The constable (Kevin Martin) announces that all the Jews in Anatevka must move. Tevye (Eric Grey) listens in disbelief.



## Fiddler on the Roof

**Below:** Fedyka (Joel Grinder) offers to lend a book to Chaval (Cassie Ohmann). Fedyka and Chava later fall in love and marry against Chava's fathers wishes.

**Above:** Yente, (Megan Schammert) the match maker, tells Golde (Athena Welbourne) what she thinks of Golda's Grandmother's ghostly visits, while the other women of the cast look on.

**Right Middle:** Lazur Wolfe (Michael Hopkins) and Tevye (Eric Gray) discuss arranging a marriage between Lazur and Tevye's daughter Tzeitel.

**Right Last:** Edward Martyka, as a motel and Eric Gray as Tevye, dance during a dress rehearsal for the musical.

**Below:** Tevy's daughters (Katie Schmelzer, Cassandra Ohmann, Carri Cuellar, Rachel Lawson, and Shannon Clendaniel,) dance at Tzeitel's wedding celebration.

This year's musical, *Fiddler on the Roof*, was directed by Caryn Cliffler and performed by some of the most talented actors at Edison. It was presented on March 14 and 15, in the Kayes Auditorium. To be in the musical students had to audition a piece of music chosen by Caryn Cliffler, who is also Edison's choir director. For student interested in getting some experience in stage performing the musicals are excellent practice and provide a great memory of your high school years.

Ohmann). Fedyka and Chava later fall in love and marry against Chava's fathers wishes.



**Below:** Tevye (Eric Gray) and Golde (Athena Welbourne) bless their daughters played by Carri Cuellar, Rachel Lawson, Cassandra Ohmann, Katherine Schmelzer, and Shannon Clendaniel with a "Sabbath Prayer." The tailor (Edward Martyka) is also present at the table for the prayer.



# Art Show Winners

## Chalk Abstract

- 1st - Danielle Underwood  
2nd - Casandra Ohmann  
3rd - Brandi Dodd

## Color Pencil Abstract

- 1st - Danielle Underwood  
2nd - Casandra Ohmann  
3rd - Joshua Medows

## Calligraphy

- 1st - Kelly Riggins  
2nd - Tara Rollo  
3rd - Christopher Tsimalis

## Pointalism

- 1st - Danielle Underwood  
2nd - Kelly Brannon  
3rd - Jonathan Pomaes  
3rd - Gabriela Rodriguez

## 5 Lettering Styles

- 1st - Danielle Underwood  
2nd - Leslie Llerena

## Word Design

- 1st - Valerie Karpinski

## Watercolor Creature

- 1st - Danielle Underwood  
2nd - Brandon Antkowiak  
3rd - Casandra Ohmann

## Classmate Portrait

- 1st - Danielle Underwood  
2nd - Karen Reese  
3rd - Casandra Ohmann

## Computer Design

- 1st - Lino Jackson  
2nd - Robert King  
3rd - Thomas Music

## Advertisement

- 1st - Chris Tsimalis

## Architecture

- 1st - Danielle Underwood  
2nd - Patricia Fields  
3rd - Leslie Llerena  
3rd - Casandra Ohmann

## Value Drawing

- 1st - Patricia Fields  
2nd - Mason Ishii

## Texture

- 1st - David Sharp  
1st - Tricia Santos  
2nd - Elizabeth Pavich  
2nd - Justin Cherry  
3rd - Tara Rollo  
3rd - Danielle Underwood

## Magazine Monochromatic

- 1st - Casandra Ohmann  
1st - Iliana Mercado

## Plant Drawing

- 1st - Danielle Underwood  
1st - Jeremy Lutz  
2nd - Kelly Brannon  
3rd - Casandra Ohmann  
3rd - Ray Bayron

## Coyote Pencil Drawing

- 1st - Gabriela Rodriguez  
2nd - Casandra Ohmann  
3rd - Jonathan Pomaes

## Tagboard Relief

- 1st - Steven Ralston  
2nd - Chris Tsimalis  
3rd - Christopher Santana

## Animal Pencil

- 1st - Danielle Underwood  
2nd - Kelly Brannon  
3rd - Jonathan Pomaes

## Willey Coyote Painting

- 1st - Jennifer Coe  
2nd - Danielle Underwood  
3rd - Leslie Llerena

## Monochromatic Value

### Abstract

- 1st - Elizabeth Pavich  
2nd - Robert King  
3rd - Danielle Underwood  
3rd - Jennifer Coe

## Plaster Sculpture

- 1st - Elizabeth Pavich  
2nd - Lisa Rowan  
3rd - Danielle Underwood

## Clay Construction

- 1st - Patricia Fields  
2nd - Tommit-lyne Schmidt  
3rd - Jonathan Pomaes

## Tree Value Drawing

- 1st - Ray Bayron  
2nd - Jonathan Pomaes  
2nd - Valerie Karpinski  
3rd - Casandra Ohmann

## Magazine Portrait

- 1st - Jean Hawkins  
2nd - Richard Mackanos  
2nd - Casandra Ohmann  
3rd - Kelly Riggins

## Line Texture Animals

- 1st - Veronica Alvarez  
2nd - Randall Seabolt  
3rd - Carlos Garcia

## Paper Mache

- 1st - Yolanda Salazar  
2nd - Christopher Redar  
2nd - Richard Mackanos  
3rd - Elizabeth Pavich

## Open Category

### Pencil

- 2nd - Danielle Underwood

## Art 2

### Repeated Hands

- 1st - Christina Forrest  
2nd - Jamie McEwen  
2nd - Lisha Willis  
3rd - Joshua Alderson  
3rd - David Heridia

### Split Face

- 1st - David Heridia  
1st - Rita Cartagena  
2nd - Aaron Carter  
3rd - Gregory Roberts  
3rd - Jamie McEwen

### Portfolio

- 1st - David Heridia  
2nd - Joshua Alderson  
3rd - Christina Forrest

## Open Category

### Painting

- 1st - Rita Cartagena  
3rd - Rosa Ortiz

## Famous Painting Replica

- 1st - Rita Cartagena  
2nd - Michelle Corral  
3rd - Lisha Willis  
3rd - Gregory Roberts

## Mixed Media Personality

### Poster

- 1st - Rosa Ortiz  
2nd - Crystal Cooper  
3rd - Rita Cartagena

### Still Life - Pencil

- 1st - David Heridia  
2nd - Christina Forrest  
3rd - Jamie McEwen

## Cylinder, Square, and Sphere

- 1st - David Heridia  
2nd - Crystal Cooper  
2nd - Christina Forrest  
3rd - Jamie McEwen

## Contour Line

- 1st - Rita Cartagena  
2nd - Joshua Alderson  
2nd - Jamie McEwen  
3rd - Justin Johnson

## Outdoor Life

- 1st - Gregory Roberts  
2nd - Aaron Carter  
3rd - Joshua Alderson

## Repetition of Shape & Texture

- 1st - Christina Forrest  
2nd - Gregory Roberts  
3rd - Crystal Cooper  
3rd - Rita Cartagena

## Mixed Media Self-Portraiture

- 1st - Lisha Willis  
2nd - Rita Cartagena

## Wire Sculpture

- 1st - Joshua Alderson  
2nd - Crystal Cooper  
3rd - Jamie McEwen  
3rd - Lisha Willis  
3rd - David Heridia

## Clay Mask

- 1st - Joshua Alderson  
2nd - Crystal Cooper  
3rd - Gregory Roberts

## Open Category - Ink

- 1st - Justin Johnson

## Tye Dye Shirts

- 1st - Jamie McEwen  
2nd - Michelle Corral  
3rd - Crystal Cooper  
3rd - David Heridia

## Transitions

- 1st - Rita Cartagena  
1st - Justin Johnson  
2nd - Jamie McEwen  
2nd - Aaron Carter  
3rd - David Heridia  
3rd - Christina Forrest

## Hidden Pictures

- 1st - Gregory Roberts  
2nd - Lisha Willis  
2nd - Aaron Carter  
3rd - Joshua Alderson

## Negative/Positive

- 1st - Joshua Alderson  
2nd - Gregory Roberts  
3rd - Aaron Carter

## Open Class Sculpture

- 1st - Aaron Carter

## Open Class Category Pencil

- 3rd - Justin Johnson

## Art 3

### Mirror Design

- 1st - Tony Garcia  
2nd - Marisela Gonzalez

## Statue of Liberty

- 1st - Tony Garcia  
2nd - Marisela Gonzalez

## Fashion Design

- 1st - Danielle Lopez  
2nd - Marisela Gonzalez  
3rd - Tony Garcia

## Charcoal Face

- 2nd - Marisela Gonzalez

## Acrylic Painting

- 1st - Danielle Lopez  
2nd - Tony Garcia  
3rd - Marisela Gonzalez

## Clay Creature

- 1st - Danielle Lopez

## Open Category Tempera

### Painting

- 2nd - Danielle Lopez

## Open Category Pencil

- 1st Danielle Lopez

## Cartoon

- 1st - Marisela Gonzalez  
2nd - Tony Garcia

## Best High School

Joshua Alderson's  
Negative/Positive

## Best of Show

Rita Cartagena's  
Contour Drawing

Below: Rita Cartagena's contour line drawing of a face won best of show. She holds her prize winning drawing.





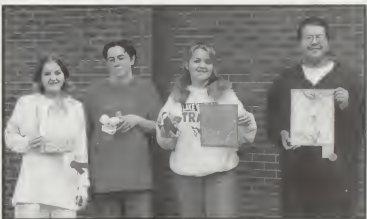
**Above:** Joshua Alderson holds his negative/positive drawing which won best of high school art work.

**Above: 6th Hour Winners.** Illiana Mercado, Joshua Medows, Lisa Rowan, TommiLynne Schmidt, Veronica Alvarez, and Richard Mackanos. **Front Row:** Jonathan Pomaes, and Kelly Riggins.



**Above: 2nd Hour Winners.** Michelle Corral, Rita Cartagena, Joshua Alderson, Jamie McEwen, Aaron Carter, Christina Forrest, and Gregory Roberts.

**Above: 2nd Hour Winners.** Lisha Willis, Crystal Cooper, Danielle Lopez, Marisela Gonzalez, Justin Johnson, Rosa Ortiz, and David Heridia.

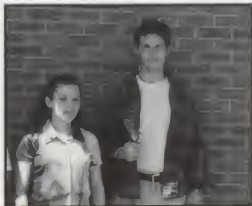


**Above: 3rd Hour Winners.** Karen Reese, Christopher Redar, Patricia Fields, and Jeremy Lutz.

**Below: 1st Hour Winners.** Jennifer Coe, Steven Ralston, Valerie Karpinski, Leslie Llerena, Gabriela Rodriguez, and Tricia Santos.

**Above: 5th Hour Winners.** Brandi Dodd, Casandra Ohmann, Elizabeth Pavich, Brandon Antkowiak, Christopher Tsimalis, and Christopher Santana.

**Left: Other Winners.** Danielle Underwood, and Robert King.



# AWARDS NIGHT



Dr. Charles Costa, Superintendent of Lake Station Community Schools, gives the closing remarks ending the night with heart warming thoughts and feelings.



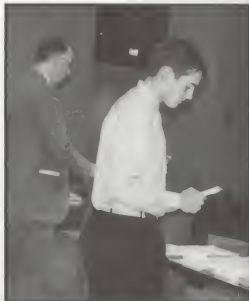
Seniors Edward Martyka, Dimo Vekov, Athena Welbourne, Jason Constandars, Marisela Gonzalez, Joseph Yanez, and Kelly Mote gather together in their caps and gowns at the beginning of Awards Night for one last picture. There is no place to hide their happiness.



Newly elected Student Council Officers and Class Officers take their oaths of office, given by Leslie Grant., current Student Council President.



Awards night was held May 29, 1997 in Kayes Auditorium here at Edison High School. Awards night is special night held every year, honoring those who give their all, and deserve to be honored. Awards are given for many different achievements. Scholarships are also presented at this event. A few of the awards given include: Attendance Awards, Student Council Awards, Honor Roll Awards, and the Valedictorian Award. Also some of the scholarships given are Dollars For Scholars Scholarship, Mayor Leo C. & Helen J. Meister Scholarship, and Edison High School DECA Scholarship. There are many more awards and scholarships given, and all are a great honor to be presented with.



Junior Daniel Perryman receives Purdue University's Junior Scholar Excellence in Mathematics Award.



Seniors Kristy Hite and Richard Mackanos smile as they realize their day has finally come. They've received their last awards from Edison High School.



Senior Richard Mackanos accepts the American Legion Award given by Mr. Peck. Showing he is a very good person as well as a good student.



# \*\* TAKE MY BREATH AWAY \*\*



*V* Left: After being crowned the Princess, Athena Welbourne dances with the Prince, Ryan Haas in a celebration dance.

*a* Junior Joel Grinder, senior Athena Welbourne put up decorations for the FBLA dance held on Saturday, February 8. FBLA President Kelly Krayniak contributed in a big way to planning the dance.



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Above: Senior Lisa Kroledge, sophomore Amber Hertauss, senior Athena Welbourne, and sophomores Sarah Woynaroski, Teresa Gadzala, and Shannon Clendaniel dance to the old song YMCA.



Sophomore Roxzanne Hamilton and freshman Christopher Bunnell slow dance to the musical stylings of Jambulance Entertainment. *Take My Breath Away* was the title of this year's dance. Approximately 130 students and a dozen adults attended the dance.

Left: Seniors Athena Welbourne and Ryan Haas were crowned Prince and Princess at this year's Valentines Dance.

# SPORTS DIVISION PAGE



*...And now it is time to kick back and enjoy secrets revealed by athletes and there supporters....sounds of a buzzer ringing the desperate sound of defeat, the croud goes wild ,half time. None of the players are absolutely certain about the outcome of this game. The ever so worthy football team kicks back for a drink of warm well water.*

David Gruett

Man its hot out here!

Nathan Ellis

I know. Where is Johnson?

Dimo Vckov

Probably getting beat by Stone, I love watching that.

*Dimo wipes water from his face.*

Dimo

I love this game, the thrill of knocking some guy unconscious, it really brings a smile to my face.

Dale Lambert

I like the full body contact, wearing the equipment, and the dog piles.

*Indeed sports do have there inclined ups but they could also have they're serious downs. Once upon a time there was a young man named Kind Bothet, he was your every day, average student. He was the guy who you would see at every dance, at every game, and any school activity. Then by no fault of his own, he lost the last chance he had with his teammates respect. The pressure built up so much inside it began to show in his facial expressions and even his weight. He grew fat and was repuled by any social event the school put together. He noticed, one day, that there was something growing on his shoulder. At first he thought it was just a zit, then it grew more. Later it began to talk to him, constantly telling him to join football next seson. He did, alll his classmates laughed at him, they practically laughed him out of the locker room. The growth and Kind Bothet began to fight constantly, finally he cut it off.  
Back to the subject.*

David Gruett

Are we chasing girls after the game?



# Trainers



Trainers: **First Row:** Kristin Mantta and Shannon Gorby. **Second Row:** Christina Forrest and Miss Wheeler.



The Fighting Eagles break through the hoop to beat North Newton at our homecoming game. The Eagles won 31-8.



Donald Robb is shooting a freethrow from the top of the key at home against Hammond Morton.



**Top:** At the Hobart Tournament the Lady Eagles beat Gary Wirt 15-4 in the first set and 15-8 in the second set.

**Left:** Kristy Hite was looking for an open teammate to pass the ball to during the River Forest varsity basketball game.



# Varsity Football

## JOCK TALK



"Trying to lay out for one of Dale Ginter's passes." James Cuellar, senior.



"Winning Homecoming and beating Kankakee Valley." Brian Ginter, senior.



"The time we filled our helmets with water and poured them on the dirt on the practice football field and played in the mud." Mathew Morales, senior.



"Playing in all of the games that we won and what happened on the fifty yard line." Christopher Anderson, senior.

# Scoreboard

## Varsity Football

Coach: Mike Hepp, 3rd Year

Record: 3 Wins, 6 Losses

Conference Record: 2 Wins, 4 Losses

Sectional Record: 0 Wins, 1 Loss

Edison	Opponent	
0	Lowell	37
37	Calumet	6
13	River Forest	26
28	Whiting	40
10	Rensselaer	14
31	North Newton	8
17	Kankakee Valley	14
0	North Judson	28
	Sectional	
24	Bremen	40

MVP Joe Mack Award

Christopher Anderson

Most Improved

Richard Mackaus

Frank Chester Award (Most Tackles)

James Cuellar, Steven Szakacs

\*MVP Awards Presented to the entire Senior Class

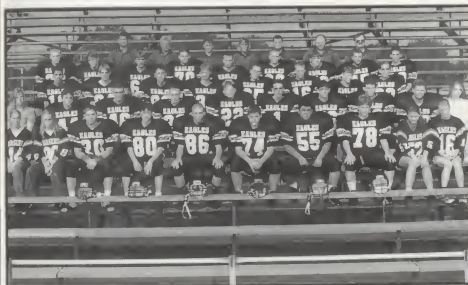
Mr. Hepp says, "I thought our overall season was more of a success than the record indicated." He said, "The best victory this season was against KV, because everyone stuck together through the whole thing and no one gave up." He said, "Our worst game this season was our loss to River Forest, once they kicked the on-sider and got it back I just knew we were in trouble."

Mr. Hepp said, "Christopher Anderson had an outstanding year on offense, while James Cuellar and Steven Szakacs both had good years defensively." The turning point this year, Mr. Hepp said, was when Dale Ginter, our starting quarterback, broke his thumb in a practice prior to the North Judson game. Hepp also replied: "That is just when we were at our best as a team, and after that injury we never seemed to recover."





Above: Although surrounded by Bremen players, Wesley Mendez somehow manages to come up with the fumble for an Eagle first down.



Above: **Top Row:** Coach Mike Hepp, Asst. Coach Chuck LoCascio, Coach Joe Burns, Trainer Tanya Wheeler, Coach Joe Gaskins, Coach David Brooks, and Coach Dan Mora. **4th Row:** Steven Szakacs, Nathan Ellis, Richard Mackanos, David Gruett, Christopher Anderson, Sean Gorbey, Dimo Vckov, Brian Ginter, and James Cuellar. **3rd Row:** John Tsahas, Nick McWhirter, Wesley Mendez, Michael McGinley, Raymond Stone, Robert Minder, Jose DelValle, and Donald Robb. **2nd Row:** Shannon Gorbey, Brian Williams, Dale Ginter, Christopher Wheeler, Troy Lewis, Christopher Suarez, Dale Lambert, Jeremy Gibson, Mathew Swider, and Christina Forrest. **Bottom Row:** Ashley Hawkins, Jean Hawkins, Richard Maldonado, James Spencer, Thomas Music, Brian Johnson, Matthew Morales, Ronald Nelson, Leann Pierce, and Jennifer Self.



Below: Christopher Anderson gets the ball on a quick pitch from back-up quarterback John Tsahas while he looks to make a cut up the field.



Above: Dale Ginter prepares to take the snap from his center Mathew Morales as they approach the endzone for yet another score in their win in the homecoming game this year.

Left: Steven Szakacs makes a diving tackle, as Nathan Ellis is on the way to help him out in the Sectional game against Bremen which the Eagles came up short and lost 40-24.





# Varsity Volleyball

## JOCK TALK



"I think that there is good points and bad points because Mr. Woynaroski has experience playing volleyball so he knew what to do to help us but it was hard to adjust." Kristy Hite, senior



"It's hard adjusting to the new styles of a new coach." Jenifer Gruett, junior



"It's hard adjusting for the team and the team has to pull together to make it work." Athena Welbourne, senior



"It makes it harder to play as a team, and the adjustment from different playing styles makes it hard on the players." Jeanine Snoder, junior

# Scoreboard

## Varsity Volleyball

Coach: Bob Woynaroski, 1st year

Record: 2 Wins, 6 Losses

Conference Record: 0 Wins, 6 Losses

Sectional Record: 1 Win, 1 Loss

Edison	15-12,	5-15,	16-14	Opponent
Won				Whiting
<i>Next 3 Games - Hobart Tourney</i>				
Loss	0-15,	8-15	Hammond	Clark
Loss	8-15,	6-15	Boone	Gross
Won	15-4,	15-8	Gary	Wirt
Loss	6-15,	6-15		Merrillville
Loss	4-15,	1-15		Lowell
Loss	1-15,	2-15	Kankakee	Valley
Loss	9-15,	5-15		Rensselaer
Loss	1-15,	10-15		Griffith
Loss	2-15,	0-15	North	Judson
<i>Next 3 Games - Wash. Twp. Tourney</i>				
Loss	2-15,	3-15	Washington	Twp.
Loss	2-15,	3-15	South	Central
Loss	15-8,	10-15,	4-15	River Forest
Loss	4-15,	2-15		Andrean
Loss	11-15,	5-15		Portage
Loss	6-15,	4-15	North	Newton
Loss	8-15,	15-3,	9-15	River Forest
Loss	13-15,	15-4,	15-7	Calumet
Loss	12-15,	4-15		Hobart
Loss	15-1,	15-6	Hammond	Noll

*Most Valuable Player*

*Kristy Hite*

*Most Improved*

*Athena Welbourne*

Coach Woynaroski and the volleyball team may have had a losing record this year but the way they played every game you wouldn't have been able to tell it. "The team played their best at sectional time, that was our best games," Mr. Woynaroski said. "We beat River Forest after losing to them earlier this year," he said, "even though we lost to Bishop Noll, we still played our best games that day." Also, winning the MVP award was Kristy Hite, Lori Sichertmann received best attitude while Athena Welbourne won the most improved. Mr. Woynaroski said that he has some new ideas for next year and that he is looking forward to the up and coming freshmen to bring their talent to the high school level.



**Above:** Jennifer Gruett makes an excellent bump up to the front row to set the Eagles up for an easy score in their game against whiting which the eagles won in three games (15-12, 5-15, 16-14).



**Above Top row:** Coach Woynaroski, Athena Welbourne, Jeannine Snoder, Lori Schitermann, Charity Heims, Kristy Hite, Jennifer Gruett, Heidi Moore, and Jennifer Westerhout. **Bottom row:** Sarah Woynaroski, Erica Chadwick, Melissa McGinley, and Sandra Hampton.



**Below:** Kristy Hite goes up for a spike for yet another point in their game against Wirt which the lady Eagles won in two games (15-4, 15-8).



**Above:** Coach Woynaroski calls for a time out so he can talk to his team and see if they can't come from behind to beat their arch rival River Forest.

**Left:** Charity Heims makes a nice bump pass to the front row to try to set the eagles up for another point in their game against Calumet.

# Cross Country

## JOCK TALK



"To keep in shape and run. They all work hard. The weather is the hardest thing about running Cross Country." Crystal Cooper, sophomore.



"I got in shape and the people on the team all got along and made it fun." Nicole Howell, junior.



"Keeps me in shape. I think I did alright in Cross Country. I like the coach and the team got along good. The toughest thing was getting up and running in the morning." Jason Cherry, junior.



"I like Cross Country because I got in shape." Joshua O'Dell, junior.

# Scoreboard

## Cross Country

Coach: Charlie Close

Record: Boys - 5 Wins &

9 Losses, Girls - 4 Wins & 3 losses

Edison		Opponent	
Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls
83	45	Morgan/Hebron	47/20 47/37
61		Oregon Davis/Marquette/ Wheeler	20/66/TNC.
27	24	Boone Grove	28 31
43		Lew Wallace	18 -
50		Hanover Central	15 -
14	8	Lowell Invite	14 11
31	15	Whiting	36 50
15		Wirt	50 -
12		Hobart Invite	13 -
13	9	Clark Invite	14 10
49		Hobart/River Forest	34/39 -
7th		NWH	Conference
5th		NWH	Conference
34		Chesterton	23 -

### Most Valuable

Jason Cherry

Mental Attitude

Robert Coffman

### Achievement Award

Crystal Cooper

Crystal cooper placed 15th at the sectionals - Time 17:06. First Edison girl to qualify for regionals.

The Cross Country season was an average one. The team has been working hard and having morning practices. The biggest challenge of the season was getting every one to making a commitment.

A great accomplishment this year was getting Crystal Cooper to qualify for regional competition. The team needs to get more athletes to participate in Cross Country in order to be competitive with other schools.





All the girls from Cross Country start to run around Edison High School for practice.



Kevin Fisher is winning over his opponent at Edison High School.

Jason Cherry is going for the win against his opponent from Griffith at the Hobart Invitational at Robinson Lake.



**Top Row:** Coach Close, Nicole Howell, Crystal Cooper, Heather Richmond, Christopher Santana, Alex Santana, Sarah Woynarowski, and Roxzanne Hamilton. **Bottom Row:** Christopher Suarez, Donald Robb, Jason Cherry, Robert Coffman, and Joshua O'Dell. Not pictured: Angel Sandefur.



**Above:** Robert Coffman picked for the Mental Attitude Award by his coach for his hard work and dedication.

**Left:** Roxzanne Hamilton is running around Edison Jr./Sr. High School for practice to beat our arch rivals River Forest Ingots.



# Boys' Tennis

## JOCK TALK



"Our team gets along great. They're aren't any negative attitudes. You never hear anyone groan about anything. We know that whatever our coach has us do, it will make us better, and we do it as a team."  
Andrew Costa, junior.



"How everybody cheers each other on when we're winning or loosing."  
Daniel Perryman, junior.



"We all get along and are all pretty good friends so we work well together."  
Bradley Westerhout, senior.



"We are all friends. We all get along, and we all make fun of Eddie."  
Jonathan Biggs, senior.

# Scoreboard

## Boys' Tennis

Coach: Gary Hayes, 16 year

Record: 12 Wins, 1 Loss

Conference Record: 2nd Place

Sectional Record: 1 Win, 1

Loss

Edison	Opponent	
3	Lowell	2
4	Kankakee Valley	1
5	North Judson	0
4	Gary Roosevelt	1
5	Gary Wirt	0
5	Hammond Gavitt	0
4	Hammond Clark	1
5	Calumet	0
4	River Forest	1
2	Rensselaer	3
4	Andean	1
5	Michigan City Marquette	0
5	E. C. Central	0
Lake Station Invitational - 1st Place		
5	Wirt - Sectionals	0
1	River Forest - Sectional	4
<u>Most Valuable Player</u>		
Jonathan Biggs and Edward Martyka		
<u>Most Improved</u>		
Andrew Costa		
<u>Mental Attitude</u>		
Bradley Westerhout - No. 1 Doubles		
14-2		
Daniel Perryman - No. 1 Doubles 14-2		

The Boys' Tennis record was 13-3. We were the champions at the Lake Station Invitational. The team was second in the State Conference. The team was disappointed that they did not win the sectionals, but they were runner-ups.

Next year the coach hopes he can improve the doubles play. The coach also hopes he can get more freshmen to go out for the team. The hardest thing for Coach Hayes was finding a set line-up so all of the positions, singles and doubles would be competitive.



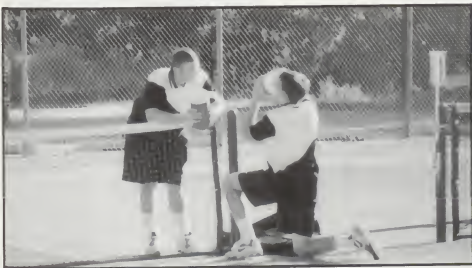




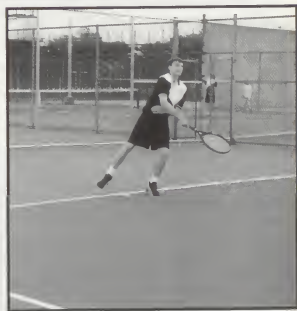
**Top Row:** Daniel Perryman, Bradley Westerhout, Ryan Haas, Jonathan Biggs, Coach Hayes.  
**Bottom Row:** Brad Snodgrass, Brandon Hursell, Michael Felker, and Jonathan Biggs.



The Boys' Tennis team is getting lectured by Coach Hayes at Edison High School before their game against their opponents.



Jonathan Biggs is serving a overhand volley to his opponent from River Forest at home.



**Above:** Ryan Haas is returning a overhand volley to one of his opponents at home.

**Left:** Bradley Westerhout and Daniel Perryman are taking a break between matches at River Forest.



# J.V. Football

## No Place To Hide The Victories

The J.V. team did a great job this season. They had a victory for each game that they played. Two games were cancelled. These were the Whiting and the Kankakee Valley games, due to lack of numbers. The coach of the team is David Brooks. He has been the coach for three years. The record for the year was 4 wins, 0 losses.



**J. V. Football Team:** Back Row: Lino Jackson, Gary Ray, Kenneth Hite, Troy Lewis, and James Spencer. Middle Row: Matthew Swider, John Tsahas, Nicholas McWhirter, Jose DeValle, and Dale Lambert. Front Row: Paul Stone, John Palumbo, and Christopher Wheeler.

**Right:** John Tsahas (Quarterback), practices on his throw, so he can be an even better player.

## Scoreboard

### J. V. Football

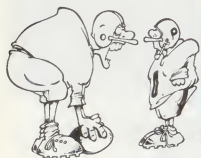
Coach: David Brooks, 3rd year

Record: 4 Wins, 0 Losses

Edison	Opponent	
42	Gary	Wirt 0
6	North	Newton 0
28	Hammond	Gavit 8
30	River	Forest 16



What position do you play, and what are the responsibilities of that position?



Fullback: Block for the halfback and run short yardage plays.

Troy Lewis (9)



Outside Linebacker: Follow the ball within my designated area.

Nicholas McWhirter (10)



Defensive Back: Make sure the receivers from the opposing team don't catch the ball.

John Palumbo (10)



Quarterback: Take charge of offense, announce the plays that are next, and pump everyone up.

John Tsahas (10)



# Scoreboard

## J. V. Volleyball

Coach: Allie Hart, 1st Year

Record: 1 win, 14 Losses

Edison	Opponent	
L	Whiting	W
L	Merrillville	W
L	Lowell	W
L	Kankakee Valley	W
L	Rensselaer	W
L	Griffith	W
L	North Judson	W
L	Chesterton	W
L	Andean	W
L	Portage	W
L	North Newton	W
L	River Forest	W
W	Calumet	L
L	Hobart	W
L	Hammond Noll	W

**J. V. Volleyball Team: Back row:** Coach Hart, Tanya Moore, Shelley Tarnowski, Joi Coubal, Leah Silverthorn, Katherine Mock, Stephanie Mendez, Lisha Willis and Jennifer Westerhout. **Front row:** Meredith Glotzbach, Tricia Santos, Trinidad Escoto, Cassandra Ohmann, Andrea Norman and Amanda Ellis.



### COACH HART'S POINT OF VIEW

The team had a losing season this year, however, the girls learned a lot. Sometimes the team wasn't in the game mentally. "My favorite moment with the team was when they won their first game," Coach Hart said, "I was proud of them." Their toughest competition would probably be North Judson.

When asked about coaching, Coach Hart says, "I like it but at times it is stressful." The hardest thing about coaching was establishing discipline among the team. When asked if she would consider coaching next year, Coach Hart replies, "Yes, and I think I will be more prepared."

## What was the toughest thing about the season?



"Getting the team to work together."

Shannon Clendaniel



"Being prepared for every game."

Amanda Ellis



"Competing against the bigger schools."

Tricia Santos



"Working as a team."

Katherine Mock



# J.V. Girls' Basketball



**Back Row:** Coach David Brooks, Jennifer Butt, Shannon White, Jacalyn Bolles, Katherine Mock, Roxzanne Hamilton, and Coach Tanya Wheeler. **Front Row:** Crystal Cooper, Cassandra Ohmann, Jillian Underwood, Brittany Finchum, and Stephanie Mendez.



Cassandra Ohman grabs for the ball, even though it's two against one. Wheeler was caught traveling and Lake Station gets the ball.



Coaches David Brooks and Tanya Wheeler sit the junior varsity girls' basketball team down for a little talk before their game against Wheeler, which the Eagles won by three points.



Katherine Mock is trying her hardest to keep the ball away from her Wheeler opponent, at a home game.

## Scoreboard

**J.V. Girls' Basketball**  
**Coach:** David Brooks, 1st year  
**Assistant:** Tanya Wheeler  
**Record:** 6 Wins, 12 Losses  
**Conference Record:** 0 Wins, 7 Losses

Edison	Opponent	
11	Griffith	35
10	Andrean	49
26	Lowell	28
26	River Forest	35
16	Kankakee valley	53
13	Chesterton	50
18	Rensselaer	41
28	Whiting	17
6	North Judson	57
29	Calumet	5
9	Hammond Morton	23
17	River Forest	32
15	North Newton	30
36	Gary Wirt	11
23	Portage	34
33	Hammond Gavitt	11
27	Wheeler	24
23	Hammond Clark	22



# J. V. Boys' Basketball



**Back Row:** Coach Larry Nielsen, Michael Palumbo, Christopher Majka, Billy Gray, Coach Steve Catherman, Brian Owens, Christopher Campbell, Christopher Suarez, Coach Ron Lewis **Front Row:** Thomas Music, Troy Lewis, Gary Ray, Mike McGinley, David Eckhart and Donald Robb.

Christopher Suarez up against Hobart, shoots at the free throw line with everybody on the rebound.



Troy Lewis goes up for a 2 point shot while heavily guarded at a home game.



J. V. Basketball player Gary Ray shoots at the free throw line during their last game during the season.



## Scoreboard

**J. V. Boys' Basketball**  
**Coach: Larry Nielsen, 2 year**  
**Record: 6 Wins, 14 Losses**  
**Conference Record: 2 Wins,**  
**4 Losses**

Edison	Opponent	
33	Hammond	Gavit 30
51	Morgan Twp.	44
21	Lowell	33
40	Highland	27
27	Portage	36
24	River Forest	41
25	Hanover Central	41
28	Griffith	37
20	Chesterton	37
42	M.C. Marquette	45
39	North Judson	35
37	North Newton	36
41	Hammond Clark	35
30	River Forest	33
31	Whiting	28
41	Calumet	51
25	Hammond Morton	40
33	Hobart	42
27	Kankakee Valley	42
26	Rensselaer	34





**Right:** The Varsity and J.V. Cheerleaders keep up their good spirits during the Lake Station vs. River Forest game.

**Below:** The Edison eagle mascot cheers with the crowd at the boys' basketball game.



**Above:** Rhonda Rokicki, Samantha Campbell, Rachel Lawson, Amber Hertaus, Monica Johnson, Lisa Kroledge and Jennifer Catlin enjoy their ride on the firetruck during the homecoming parade.

**Right:** Varsity Cheerleaders: Clockwise: Shannon Clendaniel, Lisa Kroledge, Samantha Campbell, Sarah Woynaroski, Athena Welbourne and Rhonda Rokicki.



**Above:** Monica Johnson, Jennifer Catlin, Rhonda Rokicki, and Amber Hertaus hold on tight while Steve Szakacs busts through the homecoming hoop.



# Cheerleaders

## Why Cheerleading May Be Considered a Sport

Most people do not think of cheerleading as a sport. They look at it as just a hobby or an after school activity. Believe it or not, there is just as much time and effort put in to it as there is any other sport. Sarah Woynaroski quotes, "If we competed we would be considered a sport, but we do

practice hard." But on the other hand, Roxzanne Hamilton disagrees. She says, "Yes, cheerleading is a sport because we put a lot of time and dedication into it just as any other athlete would."

**Left: J.V. Cheerleaders; Clockwise: Rachel Lawson, Amber Hertaus, Tiffany Owens, Teresa Gadzala and Roxzanne Hamilton.**



**Above:** The freshmen cheerleaders work together to catch Cassandra Ohmann after throwing her up in a basket toss.

**Left: Freshmen Cheerleaders: Front Row:** Danielle Unerwood, Jennifer Westerhout, Cassandra Ohmann. **Middle Row:** Stephanie Mendez, Tara Leshner, Katherine Mock. **Back Row:** Tara Rollo and Leah Silverthorn.

# Varsity Boys' Basketball

## JOCK TALK



"When the power went out during the game," Joseph Yanez, senior



"When in the middle of practice Coach Johnson's daughters panties fell out of his pocket in the middle of the lane," Jonathan Biggs, senior



"Seeing James Beck at practice once a week," Ryan Haas, senior



"When the power went out during the game," Christopher Anderson, senior

# Scoreboard

Varsity  
Boys' Basketball  
Coach: Butch Shiplov, 2 year  
Assistant: Kevin Johnson  
Record: 7 Wins, 15 Losses  
Conference Record: 3 Wins,  
3 Losses

Sectional Record: Merrillville 1 Win, 1 Loss

Edison	Opponent	
66	Hammond	Gavit 64
59	Morgan	Twp. 61
48	Lowell	57
28	Highland	54
37	Portage	47
44	River Forest	37
43	Hanover Central	66
49	Griffith	66
41	Chesterton	45
58	M.C. Marquette	53
47	North Judson	49
66	North Newton	49
36	Hammond Clark	41
34	River Forest	69
47	Whiting	32
61	Calumet	84
41	Hammond Morton	47
39	Hobart	43
38	Kankakee Valley	41
56	Rensselaer	47

Sectional		
46	Hanover Central	45 O.T.
40	Merrillville	48

### Most Rebounds

Ryan Haas

### Free Throw %

Daniel Perryman

### Most Assists

Jonathan Biggs & Christopher Anderson

### Nick Morikis Award

Joseph Yanez

### Field Goal %

Christopher Anderson



**Above:** Jonathan Biggs gives it his all for this rebound in the sectional game against Hanover Central.



**Above Top Row:** Asst. Coach Nielsen, Richard Mackanos, Bradley Westerhout, Coach Shiplov, Daniel Perryman, Asst. Coach Johnson, Ryan Haas, James Beck, Asst. Coach Lewis. **Bottom Row:** Eric Shiplov, Joseph Yanez, Christopher Anderson, Jason Cherry, Jonathan Biggs, John Tsahas.



Coach Shiplov said his team played hard through the whole season. He said that the team really didn't have any leaders which was a problem because no one would take charge of the team. The team had pretty good dedication once they got some of the bumps out, but dedication is year round said Coach Shiplov. The team played exceptionally well against a very tough and top notch team like Merrillville in the sectional finals. The team only lost to Merrillville by eight points but the game was much closer than that. Coach Shiplov said that Chris Anderson was the most exciting player to watch and that his non-stop effort is the kind of example that other kids should immitate.



**Above:** Ryan Haas takes a jump shot in the Sectional game against Hanover Central in which the Eagles won in overtime 46-45.

**Left:** Daniel Perryman drives into the lane but pulls up for a jump shot in the Eagles game against Hobart.

# Varsity Girls' Basketball

## JOCK TALK

What did you gain from playing basketball?



"I learned about what it means to be part of a team and have people depend on me. I also learned how to help others when they need it." Tiffany Hester, senior.



"I learned that if you're not good at something, all you have to do is work, practice hard and you can achieve anything." Kristina Vega, senior.



"I learned that if you work hard and stay dedicated, you can accomplish anything you want." Jennifer Waugaman, junior.



"I learned if you work as a team you'll always gain something, win or lose. Now I know if you believe you will achieve." Erica Stevens, sophomore.

## Scoreboard

Varsity Girls' Basketball

Coach: Bill Haas, 1st year

Assistant: Randy Branson

Record: 6 Wins, 12 Losses

Sectional Record: 0 Wins, 1 Loss

Conference Record: 0 Wins,

7 Losses

Edison	Opponent	
29	Griffith	26
37	Andrean	60
23	Lowell	38
42	River Forest	38
25	Kankakee valley	55
28	Chesterton	66
37	Rensselaer	46
41	Whiting	25
34	North Judson	68
38	Calumet	41
39	Hammond Morton	45
35	River Forest	33
35	North Newton	45
46	Gary Wirt	49
22	Portage	77
37	Hammond Gavitt	34
38	Wheeler	50
65	Hammond Clark	47

Mental Attitude

Tiffany Hester

Most Improved

Melissa Butt

Most Valuable

Erica Stevens

All Conference &

1st Team All Sectional

Erica Stevens

Honorable Mention - Conference

Kristy Hite







Top Row: Melonie Longenetti, Andrea Jackson, Erica Stevens, Kristy Hite, Kristina Vega, Jennifer Butt, Wendy Branson, Coach Haas.  
Bottom Row: Amanda Ellis, Nicole Howell, Tiffany Hester, Jennifer Waugaman, Casandra Ohmann, Crystal Cooper.



Tiffany Hester gets ready to pass the ball to Erica Stevens, who won most valuable player during the 96-97 Girls Basketball season.



Kristy Hite looks for an open teammate to pass the ball to, at a home game.



Kristy Hite falls on one of our arch rivals, while shooting a field goal. Kristina Vega watches for the rebound.

This years Girls' Basketball team thought the cooperation this year was a lot better than last year. The season was tough, but the team improved by working together, playing their hardest and putting their best into the game.

There was a lot more fans at the home games cheering the Lady Eagles this year. The support from fans helped the adrenaline pump through the bodies of the players on both teams. Most of the away fans were fine, but the team had a couple of fans that got out of hand. No matter what, the Lady Eagles played together as a team.

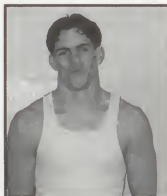


# Varsity Wrestling

## JOCK TALK



"Lateral drop, because that throw got me out of a lot of trouble in some close matches," Brian Williams, sophomore.



"The crossface, because it is very painful to my opponents," Nathan Ellis, senior.



"Nearside cradle, because it saved me a lot, and that move is how I've pinned most of my opponents," Dale Ginter, junior.



"Firemen's carry, because it almost always works," Joshua O'Dell, junior.

# Scoreboard

Varsity Wrestling  
Coach: Dan Mora  
Assistant: Chuck LoCascio  
Record: 11 Wins, 7 Losses  
Conference Record: 3 Wins,  
0 Losses

Edison	Opponent	
70	Michigan	City 12
33	Lawrence	North 48
43	Lafayette	Harrison 34
42	Crown	Point 31
16	Merrillville	63
48	East	Chicago 25
53	Kankakee	Valley 24
30	East	Chicago 48
72	Hammond	High 12
30	Chesterton	42
33	South Bend	Riley 35
67	North	Newton 9
52	Hammond	Morton 21
45	River	Forest 27
30	South Bend	Washington 43
35	Chesterton	34
18	Portage	56
55	Hammond	Clark 21

Lake Station Super Dual - 4th Place  
Sectional (Hosted by Edison) - 2nd Place  
Conference - 3rd Place

*Most Improved*

*Nathan Ellis*

*Most Valuable*

*Brian Williams*

*Most Eats*

*Dale Ginter*

*Come Back Wrestler*

*Joshua O'Dell*

*New Comer*

*Asa Stone*

*Robert Coffman* - 125 lbs. - Conference Champ  
*Brian Williams* - 119 lbs. - Conference Champ,  
Sectional Champ, Regional Champ, Semi-State  
- 3rd Place, State Qualifier

*Joshua O'Dell* - 140 lbs. - Sectional Champ,  
Crown Point Champ, E. S. Super Dual Champ,  
Regional Qualifier

*Dale Ginter* - 145 lbs. - Sectional Champ,  
Regional - 2nd Place, Semi-State Qualifier,  
Conference Champ, Harvest Classic Champ,  
Lake Station Super dual champ, Merrillville  
Champ, Crown Point Champ

*Steven Stacks* - 215 lbs. - Sectional Champ,  
Conference Champ





**Above:** Dale Ginter works to get a takedown against his Chesterton opponent at the Lake Station Super Dual, Dale was 4-0 on that day, as he won the tournament in the 145 pound weight class.



**Above: Top Row:** Jeremy Gibson, Wesely Mendez, David Gruett, Nathan Ellis, Steven Szakacs, Dale Ginter, Mathew Morales, Joshua O'Dell, James Cuellar, Coach Mora, Asst. Coach Daniel Guzman. **Bottom Row:** James Spencer, Asa Stone, John Melendez, Brian Williams, Robert Coffman, Randy Morataya.



Coach Mora and his Eagle wrestlers had an 11-7 overall team record. He said that the team fell a little short of some of their goals and well short of some individual goals for four or five guys. Coach Mora said that he felt that they were prepared physically but not mentally. Coach Mora also said that there was pretty good dedication, but not as a whole team all the time. The team was pretty well balanced in the weight classes, but there were a few guys who quit, and that hurt our scoring potential and we never quite recovered from it. He also said he definitely felt that his team should have won the Sectional title again at the very least, but the Eagles fell a little short. Even though the team fell a little short the Eagles still managed to send Brian Williams to state and Dale Ginter to the semi-state.



**Above:** Steve Szakacs pins his South Bend Washington opponent at the Lake Station Super Dual in the 215 pound weight class, Steve was 3-1 on the day and placed second at the tournament.

**Left:** Robert Coffman tries to defend a double leg takedown against his opponent in the sectional tournament.





**J.V. Wrestling Team:** Top Row: Coach LoCascio, Ronald Nelson, Christopher Santana, Michael Felker, Angelo Karagiannakis, Coach Guzman, Coach Mora. Bottom Row: Jose DelValle, George Kingery, Lino Jackson, Patrick Santana, Raymond Stone.



The Eagles get warmed up to beat the opponents at a home game.



Jose DelValle throws a discus against Boone Grove.



The Fighting Eagles football team ride in the Homecoming Parade, afterwards they will head back to Edison to win the game of the season.



Jeremy Gibson gets ready to bat against Hanover Central at a home game.



# Freshmen Basketball



**Above Top Row:** Coach Catherman, Kenneth Hite, Michael Palumbo, Christopher Majka, Christopher Campbell, Christopher Bunnell, Jeremy Milbrandt, and Coach Lewis. **Bottom Row:** Thomas Music, Brandon Hursell, Brandon Knight, Student Trainer Kristin Mantta, Orlando Irizarry, Troy Lewis, and Gary Ray.



**Above:** The Eagles call for a time out to catch their breath and to get some last minute instructions from their coach.



**Above:** Thomas Music hits a jump shot in a close game against Calumet.

## Scoreboard

### J. V. Boys' Basketball

Coach: Ron Lewis, 1st year

Record: 1 Win, 14 Losses

Conference Record: 2 Wins,  
4 Losses

Edison	Opponent	
L	Whiting	W
L	Merrillville	W
L	Lowell	W
L	Kankakee Valley	W
L	Rensselaer	W
L	Griffith	W
L	North Judson	W
L	Chesterton	W
L	Andean	W
L	Portage	W
L	North Newton	W
L	River Forest	W
W	Calumet	L
L	Hobart	W
L	Hammond Noll	W



**Above:** Gary Ray dribbles the ball passed his Calumet opponent in the Eagles win against Calumet.





What body part have you injured during track and how did you injure it?

# Girls' Track

## JOCK TALK



"I have injured everything." Roxzanne Hamilton, sophomore.



"During track I had shinsplints the week before sectionals." Nicole Howell, junior



"My back, I don't know how the coaches haven't figured it out yet." Sarah Woynaroski, sophomore.



"I've never injured a body part that I know of." Crystal Ramos, freshman.

# Scoreboard

## Girls' Track

Coach: Kelly Schmelzer

Record: 3 Wins, 7 Losses

Conference Record: 6th Place

Sectional: 2 Regional Qualifiers

Edison	Opponent
54 Morgan Twp	69
74 Boone Grove	48
74 River Forest	48
42 Kankakee Valley	71 North Judson 43
17 Lowell	53 Rensselaer 86
31 Points	7th Place Kouts Invitational
34 Points	6th Place Calumet Relays
51 Points	6th Place NWHC
76 South Central	40 Wheeler 86
30 Hanover Central	93
20 6th Place Sectionals	
0	Regionals

### Mental Attitude/Most Improved

Nicole Howell

### Most Valuable Player - Field Events

Shannon Gorby

### Most Valuable Player - Field Events

Jacalyn Bolles

### Most Valuable Player/Most Points

Roxzanne Hamilton

(Running & Field Events)

Conference Champ

Jacalyn Bolles - High Jump

Regional Qualifiers

Jacalyn Bolles - High Jump

Roxzanne Hamilton - 200 M Dash





**Back:** Crystal Ramos, Brandi Dodd, Roxzanne Hamilton, Sarah Woynaroski, Shannon White, Coach Schmelzer, Jacalyn Bolles and Shannon Gorby. **Front Row:** Patricia Fields, Kimberly Garner, and Amy Peterson. **Not Pictured:** Jamie McEwen, Andrea Jackson, and Nicole Howell.



**Left:** Nicole Howell a long distance runner makes her way around the track at a home meet.



**Below Left:** Melissa McGinley is the first runner in the 200 meter relay.

**Below:** Crystal Ramos making her long jump at a meet against Kankakee Valley and Wheeler.



Mrs. Schmelzer said that this track season was trying and a regrouping season with the underclassmen. The upperclassmen leadership was not there. There was reconstruction midseason, about half the team quite. However, Roxzanne Hamilton who had more strength in the field, along with Jacalyn Bolles made it to regionals.



# What was your best event?

## VARSITY BOYS' TRACK

### JOCK TALK



"High hurdles and 4 by 100 relay because I improved 3 seconds in the high hurdles and the 400 meter relay team made it to Regionals." Christopher Suarez, junior.



"The 300 low hurdles and 400 meter relay because it was my first year for the 300 low hurdles and I improved dramatically and we made it to the Regionals for the 400 meter relay." Donald Robb, junior.



"Discus because that was the event I was best at." Christopher Santana, junior.



"Discus because I can throw farther than anyone else on our team." Jose DelValle, junior.

## Scoreboard

### Girls' Track

Coach: Chuck LoCascio

Record: 4 Wins, 7 Losses

Conference Record: 6th Place

Sectional: 4 Regional Qualifiers

Edison	Opponent	
38	Morgan Twp	91
90	Boone Grove	42
62	River Forest	61
31	Kankakee Valley	66
31	North Judson	58
30	Lowell	66
30	Rensselaer	41
50	Wheeler	87
50	South Central	19
51	Hanover Central	92
51	Hammond Gavit	49
6th Place NWHC at Rensselaer		

### Regional Qualifiers

Sean Gorby, Thomas Music,  
Christopher Suarez, and Donald Robb

### Mental Attitude

Christopher Santana

### Most Valuable Player - Field Events

Donald Robb

### Most Improved

Christopher Suarez

### Most Valuable Player

Thomas Music

This year the boys' track team went 4-7. "The toughest meet all year was River Forest," says Coach LoCascio. River Forest was the teams favorite meet because they are our biggest rival. This years team was very dedicated and everyone gave it their all. The biggest point gatherers were Thomas Music, Christopher Suarez, and Donald Robb.



**Above:** Thomas Music strives hard for the finish line in his event.



**Above Top Row:** Ronald Nelson, Christopher Bunnell, Angelo Benard, Christopher Suarez, Donald Robb, Sean Gorby, Richard Mackanos, and Coach LoCascio. **Bottom Row:** Christopher Santana, Alexander Santana, Jose DelValle, Patrick Santana, and Matthew Cerros.

**Below:** Steven Szakaacs throws the shot put with all his might to try to out throw his opponents.



**Below Left:** Christopher Suarez sprints the last leg of the 400 meter relay as the Eagles blow away their opponents.

**Below:** Richard Mackanos pushes hard on his last lap of this long run.



# What is your favorite golf club and why is it your favorite?

## Golf

### Jock Talk



"Driver, I can hit it the longest." Edward Martyka, senior



"I don't have one because I can't hit good, consistent shots with any of them." Shannon Clendaniel, sophomore



"My favorite club would have to be the driver, you can swing as hard as you can and let all your frustration out and the ball goes really far." Andrew Costa, junior



"The driver because I can hit the ball the furthest with it." Michael Felker, junior

## Scoreboard

### GOLF

COACH: JOSEPH LOSCARO,

9TH YEAR

RECORD: 4 WINS, 10

LOSSES

CONFERENCE RECORD: 1

WIN, 6 LOSSES

SECTIONAL RECORD: 1

LOSS

### EDISON

### OPONENT

278 Kankakee Valley	173 River Forest	229
232 Gary	Roosevelt	290
226 River Forest	205 Hobart	180
204 Horace	Mann	310
199 Gary	Wirt	264
209 Hammond	Morton	188
231 Lowell		180
230 Boone Grove	Invite	186
230 North	Newton	
449 Conference -	Edison Host	
208 River Forest	182 Hanover Central	160
206 River Forest	207 Griffith	171

### Mental Attitude

Edward Martyka

Andrew Costa

Mr. Loscaro has been a golf coach for ten years, his favorite thing about coaching is working with the kids. When asked, What is your favorite thing about golf or the golf team? Mr. Loscaro said, "Being able to play golf with Andrew Costa and beat him every time."





**Golf Team :** Above: Edward Martyka, Kevin Fisher, Andrew Costa, Michael Felker, and Shannon Clendaniel

**Below:** Andrew Costa tries to get his ball out of the rough.



**Below Left:** Michael Felker, Kevin Fisher, Andrew Costa, Edward Martyka take a break in between holes in their meet against River Forest.



**Above:** Kevin Fisher hit his ball onto the green at Cressmoor Country Club.



**Left:** The only female on the Golf Team, sophomore Shannon Clendaniel practices her swing in front of seniors Edward Martyka and Kevin Fisher.

## Girls' Varsity Tennis

### JOCKTALK



"Because I get to play out in the sun and there's a lot more skill, like hand eye coordination, that you have to perfect better than any other sport I play."

Kristina Vega, senior



"I love the game. It teaches me discipline and keeps you in shape."

Carri Cuellar, junior



"I love tennis! I've been playing since I was ten and there is no way I could ever quit. It's kind of a part of my life."

Charity Heims, junior



"I like the game. It teaches you a lot of skills for other sports."

Lori Sichtermann, junior

## Scoreboard

### Varsity Girls' Tennis

**Coach:** Gary Hayes, 15th year

**Record:** 13 Wins, 2 Losses

**Sectional Record:** 3 Wins, 0 Losses

**Conference Record:** 1st Place

**Sectional Record:** 3 Wins, 0 Losses

**Regional Record:** 0 Win, 1 Loss

**Over-all Record:** 16-3

**Sectional Champs**

**Conference Champs**

**Lake Station Invitational Champs**

Edison	Opponent	
5 Hanover	Central	0
5	Griffith	0
4 River	Forest	1
5 Hammond	Morton	0
4	Hobart	1
4	Chesterton	1
5 Kankakee	Valley	0
5	Calumet	0
4 Boone	Grove	1
1 Merrillville		4
5 Hammond	Clark	0
1	Andean	4
3	Wheeler	2
3	Lowell	2
Lake Station Invitational - 1st Place		
Northwest Hoosier Conference - 1st Place		
4 River Forest	- Sectional	1
5 Boone Grove	- Sectional	0
5 Wheeler	- Sectional	0
0 Laporte	- Regional	5

*Mental Attitude*

*Athena Welbourne*

*Most Improved*

*Carri Cuellar*

*Most Valuable*

*Charity Heims*

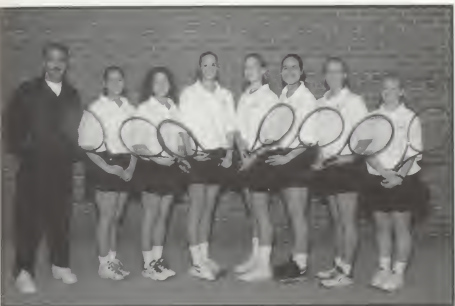
The girls' tennis team finished extremely well this season with the help of their coach, Mr. Hayes. He has been coaching the tennis team for 15 years. The girls' finished the season with 16 wins and 3 losses. Singles player Charity Heims finished her season with an 18-0 record. The team was also sectional and conference champs.



Above: Carri Cuellar quickly runs in an attempt to return the ball during the match against Andrean.



Above: Lori Sichtermann uses all her might to go for the ace on her serve.



Tennis Team Above: Coach Hayes, Carri Cuellar, Athena Welbourne, Charity Heims, Lori Sichtermann, Kristina Vega, Kristy Hite, Wendy Branson



Above: Charity Heims returns the ball for her match point against Andrean.



Above: Wendy Branson and her doubles partner Kristina Vega work hard together to win their match.

What do you hope to accomplish this year?

# Varsity Baseball

## Jock Talk



"To play hard every game and to do good in sectionals." Jason Constandaris, senior



"State Championship." Christopher Anderson, senior



"Nothing less than a great season." Bradley Westerhout, senior



"To make sure we're playing our best at tournament time." Daniel Perryman, junior

# Scoreboard

## Varsity Baseball

Captain: Lon Salomo, 3rd Year

Record: 13 Wins, 15 Losses

Conference Record: 12 Wins,

5 Losses

Sectional Record: 1 Win, 1 Loss

Edison	Opponent	
15	Washington	Twp. 5
5	Griffith	6
3	Portage	10
13	Lowell	3
5	Lowell	4
6	Hanover	Central 5
3	Kankakee	Valley 4
8	Boone	Grove 7
4	North	Newton 5
4	North	Newton 3
4	Wheeler	7
16	Hebron	4
10	River	Forest 0
16	River	Forest 3
2	Hobart	8
15	Roosevelt	3
2	Kankakee	Valley 13
27	Lew	Wallace 0
0	Rensselaer	1
5	Rensselaer	6
11	Horace	Mann 0
6	E. C.	Central 16
2	North	Judson 6
5	North	Judson 7
7	Hammond	Gavit 8
6	Chesterton	8
9	Sectional Games	
3	River	Forest 1
	Merrillville	6

Most Valuable Players  
Ryan Haas & Christopher Anderson

Mental Attitude

Jonathan Hursell

Battling Title

Christopher Anderson .407

Fielding Percentage

Jeremy Gibson .958

All Conference

Ryan Haas & Jason Cherry

All Conference Honorable Mention

William Bowen & Daniel Perryman

112 Strikeouts (school record as of 1980)

Ryan Haas

Team - 2nd All Time in State for Walks in a game -

(19)

32 Stolen Bases (Tied school record as of 1980)

Christopher Anderson

Overall, Coach Salomon has been very pleased on how the season has gone to this point. He says, "We have been competitive all season long and improved on our weaknesses from last year." Ryan Haas and William Bowen have paced the Eagles on the mound while Christopher Anderson and Jason Cherry have led on the offensive side.





**Above:** Daniel Perryman makes a nice back-hand stop down the third base line.



**Above Top Row:** Coach Salomon, William Bowen, Jonathan Hursell, Gregory Roberts, Bradley Westerhout, Ryan Haas, Daniel Perryman, James Cuellar, Jason Constandars, and Coach Haas. **Bottom Row:** Gary Ray, Jeremy Gibson, Joseph Yanez, Jason Cherry, Michael McGinley, Jonathan Biggs, and Christopher Anderson.



**Above:** Ryan Haas crosses the plate to add to the Eagles lead in their game against Wirt.

**Above:** Michael McGinley tries to get the win in the Eagles game against Hanover Central.



**Below:** The Eagles call for a team meeting inbetween innings as they get ready to take the field.



# Varsity Girls' Softball

## JOCK TALK



"When Coach Mora made me do the Seal Crawl and have the whole team watching and laughing at me."

Sandra Briseno, junior



"When I got hit on the lip with the softball and everyone on the team made fun of me, asked if I had Herpies." Erica Stevens, junior



"When Coach Mora tells me to catch the balls he hits to me and I miss them and laughs and tells me to get more sleep." Jean Hawkins, sophomore



"It was against Portage while pitching. They score a lot of runs off of me." Amanda Ellis, junior

## Scoreboard

### Varsity Girls' Softball

Coach: Dan Mora

Assistant: Bob Ellis

Record: 6 Wins, 9 Losses

Sectional Record: 0 Wins, 1 Loss

Conference Record: 0 Wins, 4 Losses

Edison	Opponent	
2 Hammond	Morton	5
14 Gary	Wirt	3
10 Washington	Twp.	4
5 Hammond	Clark	11
16 Calumet		13
5 North	Newton	8
1 Hammond	Gavit	11
0 Kankakee	Valley	12
2 Bishop	Noll	12
10 Hammond	Gavit	3
0 Highland		10
0 Lowell		19
11 West	Side	1
0 River	Forest	6
4 Whiting		3

### Mental Attitude

Ashley Hawkins

### Offensive Award

Erica Stevens

### Defensive Award

Amanda Ellis

### Hustle Award

Crystal Cooper

Last year was the girls' first year for a softball team. The girls from last year moved up to varsity with the new comers, there isn't a Junior Varsity year.





**Varsity Softball Team:** Back row: Coach Mora, Amanda Ellis, Brittane Finchum, Kristin Mantta, Ashley Hawkins, Jessica Stivanson, Amanda Shannon, Sandra Briseno, Erica Stevens, Katherine Mock, and Tina D'Azzena. Front row: Crystal Cooper, Christine Hoffman, Lacey Finchum, Heather Wright, Jennifer Westerhout, and Jean Hawkins.



**Above left:** Coach Mora and Assistant Coach Ellis is discussing a strategy during the game.

**Bottom left:** Coach Mora is having a talk with the team before they go out to their position to play.



**Above right:** Sophmores; Heather Wright and Amanda Shannon, senior Tina D'Azzena, and freshmens; Brittane Finchum, Katherine Mock, Kristin Mantta, and Jennifer Westerhout, are relaxing while waiting for their turn up to bat.



# J.V. Girls' Tennis



**Above:** J. V. Tennis Team: Coach Hayes, Meredith Glotzbach, Heather Choate, Lora Andrews, Erin Geier, and Rebecca Wright.



**Left:** Erin Geier awaits the serve from her partner Rebecca Wright during practice.



**Above:** Meredith Glotzbach takes a break after a long hard set.

**Below Right:** Sophomore Lora Andrews returns the ball to her Andrean opponent. Lora's doubles partner is Merideth Glotzbach.

**Right:** Meredith Glotzbach returns the ball in her match against Andrean.



No Stats Available



# Scoreboard

## JUNIOR VARSITY BASEBALL

COACH: BILL HAAS, 1ST  
YEAR

RECORD: 4 WINS, 9 LOSSES  
6 RAIN OUTS, 1 FORFIET

EDISON	OPPONENT	
7	Portage	12
W	West Side	Forfiет
8	E. C. Central	10
22	River Forest	1
7	Wheeler	11
2	DH Valparaiso	3
0	Valparaiso	2
7	Washington Twp.	10
6	Boone Grove	12
	Hobart - Rained Out	
6	Kankakee Valley	20
	Chesterton - Too Cold	
	Gary Wirt - Rained Out	
	E. C. Central - Rained Out	
	Haanover Central - Rained Out	
	Lowell - Rained Out	
	Morgan Twp.	
	Griffith Tmь	
0	Andrean	6
15	Hanover Central	5
6	Wheeler	9
22	River Forest	0

## Junior Varsity Baseball



**J. V. Baseball Team:** Back Row: Bradley Snodgrass, Marshall Ralston, Gregory Roberts, Angelo Karagiannakis, Michael Palumbo, Gary Ray, and Coach Haas. Front Row: Jason Caine, Brandon Hursell, Jonathan Palumbo, David Guzman, and Timothy Pochron. **Not Pictured:** Joshua Holland.



The J. V. Baseball Team gathers around Coach Haas for a quick pep talk, and talk about a strategy to win the game against Wheeler.



Gary Ray pitches a curve ball, a play, sure to confuse the batter.



Bradley Snodgrass, catcher, goes for the runaway ball that landed behind the batter.



Michael Palumbo tags out a player from Wheeler, moving the team up on their path to victory.



# '97 SPORTS ATHLETIC AWARDS

## SPRING AWARDS

### SOFTBALL

**MOST VALUABLE PLAYER**  
ASHLEY HAWKINS  
**OFFENSIVE PLAYER**  
ERICA STEVENS  
**DEFENSIVE PLAYER**  
AMANDA ELLIS  
**HUSTLE AWARD**  
CRYSTAL COOPER

### GIRLS' TENNIS

**MOST VALUABLE PLAYER**  
CHARITY HEIMS  
**MOST IMPROVED**  
CARRI CUELLAR  
**MENTAL ATTITUDE**  
ATHENA WELBOURNE

### GIRLS' TRACK

**MENTAL ATTITUDE**  
NICOLE HOWELL  
**MOST IMPROVED**  
NICOLE HOWELL  
**MOST VALUABLE PLAYER**  
FIELD EVENTS  
SHANNON GORBY &  
JACALYN BOLLES  
**MOST VALUABLE PLAYER**  
**RUNNING & FIELD EVENTS**  
ROXANNE HAMILTON  
**MOST POINTS**  
ROXANNE HAMILTON

### BOYS' TRACK

**MOST VALUABLE PLAYER**  
THOMAS MUSIC  
**MOST VALUABLE PLAYER**  
**FIELD EVENTS**  
DONALD ROBB  
**MOST IMPROVED**  
CHRISTOPHER SUAREZ  
**MENTAL ATTITUDE**  
CHRISTOPHER SANTANA

### GOLF

**MENTAL ATTITUDE**  
EDWARD MARTYKA &  
ANDREW COSTA

## SPECIAL AWARDS ARMY RESERVE NATIONAL

### SCOLAR/ATHLETES

DIMO VCKOV & TIFFANY  
HESTER  
EDISON  
**SCHOLARSHIP AWARD**  
ATHENA WELBOURNE

### NORTHWEST HOOSIER CONFERENCE ALL-CONFERENCE ACADEMIC AWARD

DIMO VCKOV, MISTY  
ROSENSTIEN, CHRISTOPHER  
ANDERSON, & JOSEPH YANEZ

### BRAD WESTERHOUT SCHOLARSHIP

JOSEPH YANEZ

### BLANKET AWARDS

CHRISTOPHER ANDERSON,  
DAVID GRUETT, RYAN HAAS,  
STEVEN SZACKAS, KRISTY  
HITE, & KRISTINA VEGA

### OUTSTANDING SENIOR BOY

**& GIRL ATHLETE**  
CHRISTOPHER ANDERSON &  
KRISTY HITE

## SPRING SPORTS

### BASBALL

**MOST VALUABLE PLAYER**  
RYAN HAAS & CHRISTOPHER  
ANDERSON  
**MENTAL ATTITUDE**  
JONATHAN HURSELL  
**BATTING TITLE**  
CHRISTOPHER ANDERSON .407  
**FIELDING %**  
JEREMY GIBSON .958  
**ALL CONFERENCE**  
RYAN HAAS & JASON CHERRY  
**ALL CONFERENCE**  
**HONORABLE MENTION**  
WILLIAM BOWEN & DANIEL  
PERRYMAN  
**RYAN HASS - 112 STRIKE OUTS**  
**(SCHOOL RECORD AS OF 1980)**  
**TEAM - 2ND IN STATE FOR**  
**WALKS IN A GAME (19)**  
CHRISTOPHER ANDERSON -  
32 STOLEN BASES (TIED  
SCHOOL RECORD - AS OF 1980)

## WINTER AWARDS

### GIRLS' BASKETBALL

**MOST VALUABLE PLAYER**  
ERICA STEVENS  
**MENTAL ATTITUDE**  
TIFFANY HESTER  
**MOST IMPROVED**  
MELISSA BUTT

### WRESTLING

**MOST VALUABLE PLAYER**  
BRIAN WILLIAMS  
**MOST IMPROVED**  
NATHAN ELLIS  
**MOST FALLS**  
DALE GINTER  
**COME BACK WRESTLER**  
JOSHUA O'DELL  
**NEW COMER**  
ASA STONE

### BOYS' BASKETBALL

**MOST REBOUND & MOST**  
**STEALS**  
RYAN HAAS  
**FREE THROW %**  
DANIEL PERRYMAN  
**MOST ASSISTS**  
JONATHAN BIGGS &  
CHRISTOPHER ANDERSON  
**NICK MORIKIS AWARD**  
JOSEPH YANEZ  
**FIELD GOAL %**  
CHRISTOPHER ANDERSON

## AWARDS WERE ALSO

**PRESENTED TO :**  
**CHEERLEADERS, MANAGERS,**  
**TRAINERS, &**  
**STATISTICIANS**

## FALL AWARDS

### BOYS' TENNIS

**MOST VALUABLE PLAYER**  
JONATHAN BIGGS  
**MOST VALUABLE PLAYER**  
EDWARD MARTYKA  
**MOST IMPROVED**  
ANDREW COSTA  
**BEST RECORD NO. 1 DOUBLE**  
BRADLEY WESTERHOUT &  
DANIEL PERRYMAN

### FOOTBALL

**MOST VALUABLE PLAYERS**  
RICHARD MALDONADO, CHRIS  
TOPHER ANDERSON, STEVEN  
SZACKAS, BRIAN GINTER,  
MATTHEW MORALES, NATHAN  
ELLIS, RICHARD MACKANOS,  
DAVID GRUETT, WESLEY  
MENDEZ, DIMO VCKOV, SEAN  
GORBY, & JAMES CUELLAR  
**MOST IMPROVED**  
RICHARD MACKANOS  
**MOST OUTSTANDING DEFENSE**  
**SIVE PLAYER**  
STEVEN SZACKAS  
**JOEL MOCK AWARD**  
CHRISTOPHER ANDERSON  
**FRANK CHESTER - MOST**  
**TACKLES**  
JAMES CUELLAR

### VOLLEYBALL

**MENTAL ATTITUDE**  
LORI SICHTERMANN  
**MOST IMPROVED**  
ATHENA WELBOURNE  
**MOST VALUABLE PLAYER**  
KRISTY HITE

### CROSS COUNTRY

**MOST VALUABLE PLAYER**  
JASON CHERRY  
**MENTAL ATTITUDE**  
ROBERT COFFMAN  
**SPECIAL ACHIEVEMENT**  
**AWARD - REGIONAL**  
**QUALIFIER**  
CRYSTAL COOPER



Left: Shelley Tarnowski and Jenni Westerhout are shagging balls for the Varsity Volleyball team during warm ups at the Hobart Tournament





# ORGANIZATIONS DIVISION PAGE



*Send yourself to Edison, grab a handful of people, and lets say you just happen to grab Edward Martyka. Just recently apprehended for grand theft auto, all Edward had to say was.*

## Edward Martyka

*It's fun, kinda like school organizations.*

*Most of the time Edward was a good kid. He was a peer helper, and a solid member of the Student Council. When apprehended Edward confessed to using the Student Council as a front for the Russian Mafia.*

## Edward Martyka

*Well, I did join Student Council to get out of class and play paintball.*

**CUT TO: Top Left Picture**

*Take Jonathon Biggs, for example, this kind youth was corrupted by the Organizations. So corrupt in fact he grew wise and stopped attending their meetings. Eventually this poor youth was kicked out of the group.*

*Next on our list is the infamous Joshua W. Alderson, this intelligent double agent is wanted for the filth against Mr. Levenda and Mr. Cosgrove's names. Now escaped from Cemetary State Prison, this fugitive is wanted dead or alive. If sighted shoot to kill.*

## Joshua W. Alderson

*I realize that there have been charges brought against me, and I tell you they are not true. A rumor is not a rumor that does not die. I wish any person who does not know me to not talk against me. Besides the Underground Mafia would be broke had it not been for the Cosgrove, Levenda scandal.*

**Stay tuned. To the next Division Page.**



# B and \_\_\_\_\_

**Band Officers:** Front row: Athena Welbourne, president; Rebecca Wright, secretary; Andrew Costa, drum major; Cheryl Crawford, vice president; Daniel Perryman, manager; not pictured Jacalyn Bolles, freshmen representative



In most terms and a debree of sound, it takes a few different instruments to create a melody of sound. In deep appreciation to our band, here at Edison. Mixing the sounds of a saxophone, the flute, the tuba, and many other instruments to personify our craving for sweet sounding music. It always echos beautifully through the auditorium, surely one day we will all see this small band as an orchestra.

**Interns:** Betty Nickovich, Irene Artemis, Kenneth Whitledge, Jeremy Rosenbaum, Justin Click, and Edward Jimenez.



Loudly, the days go by with our ears, polluted by the sounds of harsh language, junky cars, and semi trucks we forget how beautiful music is.

**Flags:** Mrs. Randolph, Megan Schammert, Charity Heims, Jennifer Waugaman, Melissa McGinley, Nicole Porras, and Brandi Beck.





**High School Band Members:** Irene Artemis, Brandi Beck, Jacalyn Bolles, William Bowen, Christopher Campbell, Mandy Cannon, Ericka Castillo, Heather Choate, Shannon Clendaniel, Justin Click, Billie Jo Cobb, Robert Coffman, Andrew Costa, Cheryl Crawford, Karen Cruz, Pedro Cruz, Carri Cuellar, Amanda Ellis, Paul Escoto, Angela Espinosa, Brittney Finchum, Lacey Finchum, Sara Fugate, Teresa Gadzala, Charles Garber, Erin Geier, Paul Goldsmith, Shannon Gorby, Joel Grinder, Roxanne Hamilton, Jerry Hamilton, Sandra Hampton, Brandon Harford, Alan Harford, Sheryl Haskell, Charity Heims, Wayne Hill, Joshua Holland, Michael Hopkins, Sarah Hopper, Brandon Hursell, Tatiana Hurtado, Edward Jimenez, Brian Johnson, Jeffrey Johnson, Monica Johnson, Kelly Krayniak, Lisa Kroledge, Kristin Mantta, Edward Martyka, Rachel McColly, Natalie McColly, Melissa McGinley, Michael McGinley, Katherine Mock, Angela Monsivais, Jennifer Morales, Matthew Morales, Glen Morse, Amanda Nauta, Betty Nickovich, Christina Orr, Brian Owens, Tiffany Owens, Daniel Perryman, Valerie Pomaes, Nicole Porras, Kristina Purcell, Elizabeth Ramirez, Nola Richardson, Kelly Riggins, Donald Robb, Tara Rollo, Jeremy Rosenbaum, Priscila Santiago, Megan Schammert, Jesse Schmidt, Lori Sichtermann, Jeanine Snoder, Patricia Spencer, Christopher Suarez, Stephanie Svantner, Kristy Taylor, Valerie Thomas, John Thomas Tucker, Danielle Underwood, Jillian Underwood, Jaimie Vale, Dimo Vekov, Jennifer Waigaman, Athena Welbourne, Jennifer Westerhout, Bradley Westerhout, Maria Whalen, Kenneth Whitledge, Bryan Wise, Sarah Woynaroski, Rebecca Wright, and Heather Wright.



**Pep Band:** Front row: Angela Espinosa, Carri Cuellar, Karen Cruz, Angela Monsivais, Teresa Gadzala, Sheryl Haskell, Heather Wright, Shannon Clendaniel. Second row: Megan Schammert, Joel Grinder, Betty Nickovich, Jeremy Rosenbaum, Brandon Hartford, Roxanne Hamilton. Third row: Athena Welbourne, Valerie Thomas, Heather Choate, Jennifer Morales, Glen Morris, Wayne Hill. Fourth row: Kristina Purcell, Sandra Hampton, Tiffany Owens, Edward Martyka, Justin Click, Alan Harford, Edward Jimenez, and Charles Garber.

# C<sub>h</sub>oir

**Chorale:** **Front row:** Katrina West, Rachel Lawson, Eric Gray, Joel Grinder, Shannon Clendaniel, Valerie Thomas, and Amanda Bowen. **Middle row:** Samantha Campbell, Christina Childers, Jeremy Gibson, Augie Reyes, Javier Mercado, Jennifer Lazaro, and Angela Sebella. **Back row:** Athena Welbourne, Roxzanne Hamilton, Kevin Martin, Edward Martyka, Patti Jo Owens, Heather Burns, and Director Mrs. Cliffel



**Men's Choir:** **Front row:** Charles Cooper, Joshua Ohmann, Timothy Vera, Joshua Moreland, Chris McColley, and Choir Director Mrs. Cliffel. **Back row:** Justin Staples, Justin Holland, Eric Camacho, Paul Klimek, Daniel Wasowicz, and Robert Alger.



**Women's Choir:** **Front row:** Sarah Minder, Kimberly Garner, Jennifer Self, Rebecca Stokes, Jessica Galati, Priscila Santiago, Jessica Wade, and Choir Director Mrs. Cliffel. **Second row:** Lacey Taylor, Kellie Huddleston, Nicole Nobilio, Andrea Norman, Tara Henderson, Jamie Rieck, Meachelle Sherman, and Tonya Moore.



Miss Cliffel has done an excellent job with all the choir students this year. In all, the soloists and ensembles brought back 91 first place medals and 54 second place medals. Many students and parents of our school don't realize the talent we have in our choir classes.





**Left:** Athena Welbourne did a solo by Pergolesi, *Se tu m'ami, se sospiri*.



**Above:** Miss Cliffel is clapping for the men's choir.



**Above:** Heather Burns is doing a solo on the song *Danny Boy*.



**Above:** The Men's Choir are tilting their cowboy hats to the song *Rocky Top*.



**Above:** Valerie Thomas plays the flute during *Piece Canon*.



# Student Council

**Student Council:** Front row: Sarah Hopper, president; Rebecca Wright, executive assistant president; Samantha Campbell, secretary; Lisa Kroledge, parliamentarian. Second row: Lora Andrews, historian; Melissa McGinley, vice president; Mrs. Plotner, sponsor; Leslie Grant, president, and Paul Redar, treasurer.



**Junior and Senior Student Council members:**

Front row: Veronica Alvarez, Cam Cuellar, Bianca Scott, Deziree Melendez, Rebecca Wright, Jessica Wade, Erica Aceves, Sarah Minder, Andrea Wise, Erica Chadwick. Second row: Gabriela Rodriguez, Melissa Robertson, Rhonda Rokicki, Athena Welbourne, Jennifer Lazaro, Mana Wholen, Tiffany Hester, Melissa McGinley, Christopher Suarez, Samantha Campbell, Jennifer Waugaman, Lacey Finchum, Lisa Kroledge, Sarah Hopper, Sara Fugate, Angela Sebella, Shannon Gorty. Third row: Dimo Vckov, Raymond Figeroux, Jason Constandaris, Kristy Tellez, Karalee Coe, Nichole Hill, Donald Robb, Jose DelValle, Jeanine Snoder, Cheryl Crawford, Patricia Spencer, Christina Forrest, Roxanna Ramos, Jennifer Gruett, Christy Childers. Fourth row: Jonathan Biggs, Joseph Yanez, Elizabeth Ramirez, Kristina Vega, Tanay White, Tammi Serbin, Andrew Costa, James Cuellar, Kristy Hrie, Bradley Westerhout, Daniel Perryman, J.P. Beck, Ronald Nush, Edward Martyka, Richard Mackanos, Marcus Guajardo, Dale Lambert, and Bradley McWhirter.



**Freshmen and Sophomore Student Council members:**

Front row: Christopher Anikowak, Catherine Redar, Lusana Melendez, Tricia Santos, Crystal Cooper, Heather Richmond, Sarah Woyanowski, Heather Wright, Amber Hertaus, Erin Geier, Danielle Underwood, Cassandra Onman. Second row: Michael Vckov, Camille Calague, Angel Sandefur, Bethany Poweska, Kristen Maritta, Brittney Finchum, Enoka Castillo, Rachel Lawson, Shannon Clendaniel, Tatiana Hurtado, Jillian Underwood, Roxanne Hamilton, Rebecca Stofas, Roy Edward Haviza. Third row: Bryan Wise, Dawn Lopez, Nazira Ibrahim, Nicole Porras, Angela Turley, Joline Banks, Jacayin Bellis, Katherine Mock, Stephanie Mendez, Angela Monsivais, Shannon White, Heather Choate, Teresa Gadzala, Jill Hausman, Sandra Hampton, Paul Redar. Fourth row: Susana Alvarez, Lisha Wins, William Best, Michael McGinley, Wayne Hill, Michael Palumbo, Christopher Bunnell, Brian Johnson, John Tsahes, Erica Stevens, Tara Rolfo, Lora Andrews, Leah Silverthorn, Tiffany Owens, Valerie Thomas, Kristina Puroell, James Spencer, and Jesse Schmitt.



The Student Council has done many things for our community. The Christmas Food Drive is one of the many contributions. The Student Council members also participate in the Challenge Leadership program and Government Day. Mrs. Plotner, the sponsor, is greatly appreciated by the students, she gets people motivated to do things for the school and for their peers.





**Left:** Senior Maria Whalen and sophomore Amber Hertaus are assisting senior Sarah Hopper with the attendance of the first student council meeting of this school year. **Above:** Juniors are waiting for permission to go to the beach.



**Above:** Sophomores Amber Hertaus, Valerie Thomas, Catherine Redar, and Heather Wright are helping with the food drive. **Left:** Seniors Edward Martyka, Kevin Fisher, and Angelo Bernard are just told they have to have sophomores in their cars to deliver the canned food.

**Above:** Junior Tanay White is participating during the Challenge Leadership Program.



# FBLA

**FBLA officers:** Kelly Krayniak, president; Mrs. Gierke, sponsor; Tammi Serbin, treasurer; and Joel Grinder, secretary. Not pictured Jennifer Catlin, vice president.



**FBLA Members:** Front row: Lacey Taylor, Catherine Redar, Ericka Castillo, Samantha Campbell, Tiffany Owens, and Jessica Galati. Middle row: Carrie Ring, Kelly Krayniak, Javier Mercado, Tammi Serbin, Mrs. Gierke, sponsor, Nicole Hill, Joel Grinder, and Rachel Lawson. Back row: Jason Black, Amber Bernitsen, Dale Lambert, Richard Glotzbach, Marcus Guajardo, Ronald Nush, and Richard Mackanos.



**FBLA Leadership Conference** Right: Front row: Trinidad Escoto, Kristy Taylor, Jennifer Catlin, and Kelly Krayniak. Second row: Javier Mercado, Jason Black, Mrs. Gierke, sponsor, and Joel Grinder

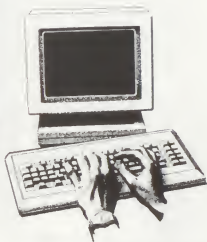


Last school year Mr. Plotner was the sponsor of the Future Business Leaders of America, but he retired. The FBLA has a new sponsor this year, and everyone seems to like her. Mrs. Gierke, the sponsor, and the other FBLA members put together the Sweetheart dance this year for Valentines Day. On April 11th through April 13th seven FBLA members and Mrs. Gierke went to the FBLA Leadership Conference. On their second day they went to a dance. Jason Black and Kelly Krayniak both brought home awards.



**Left:** Tammi Serbin, treasurer, is dancing the night away at the Sweethearts Dance.

**Left:** Catherine Redar is helping with decorations for the Sweethearts Dance.



**Left:** Mrs. Gierke, sponsor, and Nicole Brumley, FBLA member, are blowing up balloons for the Sweethearts Dance.

**Right:** Carrie Ring and Jennifer Catlin, Vice-President; are assisting with the decorations for the dance.

**Bottom Left:** Tiffany Owens is setting up balloons as a finishing touch.



# Yearbook

**Edisonian Yearbook:** Front row: Nola Richardson, editor; Patti Jo Owens, Kristy Taylor, editor; Brandon Antowiak, Rhonda Rokicki, and Dale Ginter. **Back row:** Bianca Scott, Andrea Wise, Roxanna Ramos, Jennifer Wells, Joshua Alderson, Tony Valpatic, and Deziree Melendez.



**Edisonian Yearbook Editors:** Kristy Taylor and Nola Richardson.



**Right:** The Edisonian class is picking the colors for the '97 yearbook cover.



The Edisonian class is a selective class. The class sells ads to businesses in Lake and Porter Counties to help pay for the yearbook. The class also sells booster ads and candy grams during Halloween.

This year was the first time the yearbook was done with desktop publishing. The yearbook students went to a Yearbook Workshop at the Merrillville High school to look for ideas on designing the yearbook and cover. The workshop is intended to help the students look for ideas on designing our yearbook. The whole yearbook class wore yearbook t-shirts during the super sale to encourage people to buy the '97 yearbook.





**Right:** Kristy Taylor, Rhonda Rokicki, Andrea Wise, and Dale Ginter are trying to figure out how they are going to design the yearbook for the 97' school year.



**Below:** Deziree Melendez, junior, and Patti Jo Owens, senior, are looking for new designs to put in the 97' yearbook.



**Above:** The yearbook class took time from their busy schedule to take a picture.



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**Guidance Office Assistants:**

Bradley Westerhout, Kevin Fisher, James Wesley Beck, Cindy Johnson, Bianca Scott, Brian Ginter, Andrea Wise, Megan Schammert, and Mrs. Perryman. **Not pictured:** Janet Chisko, Michael McGinley, Melissa Butt, and Jeremy Gibson.



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**Office Assistants (from left):**

Michael Vckov, Beverly King, Karalee Coe, Tina D'azzena, Deborah Stojanovich, Bradley Snodgrass, Wesley Mendez, Anthony Johnson, Ramon Figueroa, Jason Constandars, James Cuellar, Miguel Garcia, John Camacho, and Tony Elliott. **Not Pictured:** Justin Zerza and Mandi Jemenko.



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**Attendance Office Asstants:**

Roxanna Ramos, Nathan Ellis, David Gruett, Daniel Huskisson, William Best, Brian Johnson, Christina Childers, Susanna Alvarez, Matthew Morales, and Mrs. Anderson. **Not pictured:** Christopher Majka, Andrea Jackson, Lisa Kroledge, Jennifer Butt, and Monica Johnson.



**Right: Library Assistants:** Crystal Heridia, Kimberly Woodward, and Amber Bernsten.

**Far Right: Mrs. Dow and the Library Assistants:** Pashika Topps, Brandy Bogard, Mrs. Laco, Yolanda Campos, Gordon Hatherley, and William White.

**Above: Office assistants:** Karalee Coe and Miguel Garcia deliver ISS assignment slips during seventh hour.



# A

# ssistants



**Teachers Assistants:** First row: Mandi Jemenko, Heather Richmond, Amanda Pratt, Kristin Mantta, Jill Haussman, Encka Castillo, Catherine Redar, Merideth Glotzbach, Brandi Beck, and Karla Broman. Second row: Carrie Ring, Crystal Nush, Patti Knight, Tammi Serbin, Shannon Gorbey, Tanay White, Leslie Grant, Lisa Koukol, Laila Fought, and Trina Villanuel. Third row: Mitch Wahman, Crystal Jones, Maria Gonzalez, Misty Rosenstein, Kimberly Garner, Jonathan Biggs, Eric Gray, Erica Stevens, and Angela Sebella. Last Row: Gary Ray, Michael Palumbo, Shane Perez, Richard Glotzbach, William Best, Angelo Benard, Kristina Vega, John Tsahas, Eric Shplov, and Edward Martyka.



**Spell Bowl Team: Top row:**

Sponsor Miss Gawthrop, Kristina Vega, Jesse Schmidt, and Sponsor Miss Tsahas.

**Middle row:** Heather Choate, Lora Andrews, Nick Roper, and Paul Redar. **Front row:** Angela Monsivais, Shannon Clendaneil, Tiffany Hester, and Samantha Campbell.



**Jets Team: Back row:** Dimo Vckov, Richard Mackanos, and Daniel Perryman. **Front row:** Misty Rosenstein and Christopher Anderson.



**Super Bowl Team: Top row:**

Dimo Vckov, Daniel Perryman, Kristina Vega, Jesse Schmidt, and Lora Andrews. **Middle row:** Miss Gawthrop, Sponsor; Misty Rosenstein, Megan Schammert, Heather Choate, Roxzanne Hamilton, Paul Redar, and Sponsor, Miss Tsahas. **Front row:** Nichole Hill, Samantha Campbell, Shannon Clendaniel, Tiffany Owens, and Rachel Lawson.



**Below:** Samantha Campbell and Misty Rosenstein eat pizza at the end of the year party for the Academic Teams.



**Below:** The Super Bowl team prepares to leave Edison for the March 20th competition at River Forest.



**Left:** The teams are given an opportunity to study before each competition. The students are gathered in the River Forest cafeteria preparing for their individual teams.

## A

cademic  
Teams

Edison's Academic Superbowl Team worked toward a noteworthy year, placing in both the conference and area competitions. Especially exciting for the team was the area event, in which Edison earned ribbons in four of the six academic categories. The interdisciplinary team came away with a first place finish in an event that combined subject matter from all areas, including math, English, science, fine arts, and social studies. This year's theme was "Asia," providing a challenge to students to integrate material into the five core areas. Looking forward to next year, the "Industrial Revolution" will be the focus. This team is comprised of students of varying grade levels, with the main requirement being an ability and willingness to research and analyze information. The Edison Spellbowl Team also took part in both competitions this year. Some students were "natural

born spellers," while others found that an organized approach to studying the designated word list also pays off. Both groups are welcome to consider Spellbowl for the upcoming school year. The coaches, Miss Tsahas and Miss Gawthrop, have found it enjoyable to work with these teams and encourage other students to consider becoming an Academic Team member.



**Above:** Freshman Brittane Finchum competed with the English team and senior Kristina Vega was a member of the Social Studies team. They relax while waiting for their turn.



**Left:** Roxzanne Hamilton participated in Science and Interdisciplinary, Heather Choate was a member of the Science team, and Wendy Branson competed in English and Social Studies.





# Peer Helpers

A student who is a good listener, nonjudgemental, and would be a good role model are the qualifications needed to be a peer helper. The reason why we have peer helpers is because their peers can relate to them easier than to a teacher because of their closeness in age and because they share some of the same problems. To become a peer helper it's required to have two teachers who have recommended you. You get a credit, and a grade as if you were in a regular class. In other words to be a good peer helper you have to want to help others and get along with others.



Junior Jenifer Gruett helping Mark Pavuk (eighth grader) in Science during seventh hour.



Senior Gordon Hatherley was helping Julie Damon (eighth grader) in Social Studies during seventh hour.



Scott Richmond (seventh grader) was getting help from senior Richard Mackanos in World Geography, while senior Edward Martyka was helping out also tries to help out during third hour.



**Peer Helpers:** Back row: Dimo Vckov, Justin Zerza, Jonathan Biggs, Edward Martyka, Kristy Hite, Eric Shiplov, Sponsor Mrs. Gertz, Bradley Westerhout, Marcus Guajardo, Dale Lambert, and Megan Schammert. Front row: Richard Mackanos, Heather Dodd, Jessica Wade, Trijuana Starks, Veronica Alvarez, Kelly Mote, Jenifer Gruett, Gordon Hatherley, and Brian Owens.



## N

## ewspaper

## Staff

Lets just say you wish to be a member of Edison's Newspaper Staff, your real requirement should be creativity, but it only takes a "B" average.

This years' paper was too dark due to the fact that the Eagle Feathers staff decided to use a professional printing company, but all in all they worked it out with a dab of team work. The crew of the paper worked the hardest they could to get Edison's students a nice paper. This years' paper contained a lot more improvements due to new writing techniques and crew sponsorship. However, there were some hard times, everyone at least once, missed a deadline, but our papers do find their way to our desk.



Mrs. Pappas, Adviser, and Angela Sebella, Editor. Not pictured Co-editor Cheryl Sanchez.



**Newspaper Staff Members:** Back row: Mrs. Pappas, Adviser; John Tucker, Jerry Hamilton, Adrienne Leary, and Angela Sebella. Front row: Paul Goldsmith, Brandon Hursell, Nancy Shimer, and Nicole Porras.



This year each student pays a student fee at registration which guarantees them a copy of each issue of the school paper. The revenue from the student fees pays for the professional printing of the *Eagle Feathers*. Staff members Shown here are Adrienne Leary, Nancy Shimer, Cheryl Sanchez, Nichole Porras, and Angela Sebella delivering the homecoming issue.



Paul Goldsmith, Jerry Hamilton and Nancy Shimer cart in the boxes filled with the December issue of the *Eagle Feathers*. The Minute Man Press in Portage is doing the printing of the newspaper this year.



**Spanish Club Members**  
**Top Row:** Carmille Caluso, Lisha Willis, Susana Alvarg, Angela Monsivais, Eric Aceves, Misty Rosenstein, Christopher Suarez, Kelly Mote, Angela Karagiannakis, Karalee Coe, Jammie McEwen, Joshua Alderson, and Roxanne Ramos. **Third row:** Trijuana Starks, Jennifer Morales, Candy Powers, Monica Mendoza, Deziree Melendez, Rhonda Rokicki, Sandra Hampton, Heather Choan, Kelly Krayniak, David Eckhard, Andrea Sheidt, and Tina D'Azzena. **Second Row:** Jennifer Stearns, Luciana Melendez, Kristi Tellez, Carri Cuellar, Angela Sandefur, Mercedes Glotzbach, Javier Mercado, Patricia Spencer, Vanessa Justice, Paul Goldsmith, Christopher Redar. **Front Row:** Jonda Raley, Amanda Ellis, Tricia Santos, Claudia Vega, Rosa Ortiz, Heather Burns, Mrs. Marrero, Jose DelValle, Marisela Gonzalez, Andrea Wise, Sarah Mindes, Erica Chadwick, Karen Cruz, and Kristin Warner. **Not pictured:** Sandra Brisent, Michelle Corral, Peter Fatouros, Ricca Gann, Andrea Jackson, Thomas Jaeger, Monica Johnson, Leslie Llerena, Melonie Longanetti, Danielie Lopez, Elizabeth Pavich, Cheryl Sanchez, Kristy Taylor, and Shellen Tarnowski.

# Spanish Club

The Spanish club will hold three meetings, throughout the year, in the mornings, and go on a trip to the Oceanarium and a Mexican restaurant, both in Chicago during the 1996-1997 school year. To be in the club you must be in the class so ask your counselors about it.

by Brandon Antkowiak



Spanish Club Sponsor Mrs. Marrero is pictured with Secretary Andrea Wise and President Tina D'Azzena. **Not Pictured:** Melonie Longanetti - V. President and Cheryl Sanchez-Treasurer.



The seventh hour Spanish I class takes a break from the language tape to take a picture. **First row:** Aleasha Martinez, Casey Bradley, and Julie Castillo. **Second row:** Katherine Mock, Jean Hawkins, Kristin Mantta, Kelly Riggins, Timothy Pochran, Angela Espinosa, and Nicole Porras. **Third Row:** Alexander Santana, Amy Peterson, Jennifer Stearns, Wayne Hill, Brandon Hursell, and Joseph Kreider





# French Club

**French club officers:** Back row: Brian Owens - Boys' Representative Elizabeth Ramirez- Girls' Representative, Daniel Perryman- Vice President, Bradley Westerhout- President, and William Bowen-Treasurer. Front Row: Jennifer Waugaman-Girls Representative, Cheryl Crawford- President, and Jeanine Snoder-Secretary



**French Club with sponser Mr. Dobrich:** Back row: Elizabeth Ramirez, Jeremy Gibson, Brian Owens, Edward Martyka, Andrew Costa, Eric Shiplov, Daniel Perryman, Bradley Westerhout, John Tsahas, Ronald Nush, Dale Lambert and Dale Ginter. Third Row: Eric Gray, Jason Constanders, Christina Childers, Erica Stevens, Sara Fugate, Richard Mackanos, Jeanine Snoder, Leslie Grant, Tanay White, and William Bowen. Second Row: Justin Zerza, Athena Welbourne, Lisa Kroledge, Jennifer Waugaman, Cheryl Crawford, Melissa McGinley, Tiffany Owens, Kristina Purcell, Heather Wright, and Dimo Vekov. First row: Rachel Lawson, Amber Hertaus, Erin Geier, Rebecca Wright, Roxzanne Hamilton, Sarah Hopper, Shannon Clendaniel, Teresa Gadzala, and Lora Andrews.



William Bowen is trying to ask Mr. Dobrich a question concerning French class while Cheryl Crawford, Melissa McGinley, and Mandy Cannon observe in the background.



# D

## istributive Education Clubs of America

### DECA



**DECA Officers:** **Top row:** Misty Rosenstein, Treasurer; and Samantha Campbell Secretary. **Front row:** District 1 President Tiffany Hester, and Chapter President J. P. Beck.

DECA is the distributive Education Club at Edison. This club prepares it's members to be successful in the businesses world. The student are taught how to develop advertisements and other businesses skills. This year's state competition was held at Indianapolis where we had three lucky winners that qualified to go to Nationals in California. While they were in California they made a trip to Disney Land with their sponsor Mr. Kincaid and his family.



**DECA Club:** **Top row:** Joseph Yanez, Misty Rosenstein, Andrew Costa, Pattti Knight, Kristy Tellez, Elizabeth Ramirez, Sponsor Mr. Kincaid, Kristy Hite, James Beck, J. P. Beck, Christopher Anderson, Jeannine Snoder, Leslie Grant, Tanay White, Tammi Serbin, Kevin Martin, and Christopher Wheeler. **Second row:** Rhonda Rokicki, Ronald Nush, Michael Nush, Nichole Hill, Sara Fugate, Christina Forrest, Patrica Spencer, Javier Mercado, Cheryl Crawford, and Jose DelValle. **Front row:** Beverly King, Jennifer Lazaro, Maria Whalen, Samantha Campbell, Tiffany Hester, Jonda Raley, Rebecca Wright, Ericka Castillo, Angel Sandefur, Lacey Finchum, Amanda Pratt, Lisa Krolege and Kellie Huddleston.



**Above Right:** Working in the DECA Store with Mr. Kincaid are junior Rhonda Rokicki and seniors Lisa Kroledge and Maria Whalen. The DECA store is open during passing periods and the students sell candy, pop and cookies.





# H

# onor Society

To be inducted into the Honor Society is a great honor for students of any grade or age. People don't realize that their's more than being smart to be an Honor Society member. You must show leadership skills, good character and a willingness to help out where they can (which demonstrates service). Students are required to have a 3.0 grade point average to be considered and then their names go before the faculty, students earn points based on the categories: service, leadership and character. This year the Honor Society attended a Chicago Black Hawks game, sold blow pops in February, and had an student exchange day with Portage High School.

## Inductees

### \*Seniors\*

Edward Martyka, Jr.  
Marisela Gonzalez

### \*Juniors\*

Michael Hopkins  
Kelly Krayniak  
Dale Lambert

### \*Sophomores\*

Lora Andrews  
Wendy Branson  
Heather Choate  
Shannon Clendaniel  
Sandra Hampton  
Rachel Lawson  
Tiffany Owens  
Jesse Schmidt  
Erica Stevens  
Jillian Underwood  
Sarah Woynaroski



**Honor Society Members:** Top row: Richard Mackanos, Christopher Suarez, Jason Constandars, Andrew Costa, Kristina Vega, Daniel Perryman, Bradley Westerhout, Dale Ginter, and Joseph Yanez. Third row: Sara Fugate, Christina Childers, Trijuana Starks, Rhonda Rokicki, Misty Rosenstein, Jeannine Snoder, Elizabeth Ramirez, and Megan Schamert. Second row: Dimo Vckov, Christopher Anderson, Carri Cuellar, Jennifer Waugaman, Donald Robb, Lacey Finchum, Leslie Grant, Tanay White, and Mrs. French, Sponsor. Front row: Athena Welbourne, Tiffany Hester, Kelly Mote, Rebecca Wright, Lisa Kroledge, Melissa McGinley, and Jennifer Butt.



**Far Left:** Junior Andrew Costa lights the candle of service after giving an inspirational speech to the inductees.

**Middle:** Senior Dimo Vckov, Master of Ceremonys, issues the Honor Society Oath.

**Left:** Senior Kelly Mote leads the inductees into the auditorium for their induction.



Mrs. Brown, Mr. Beres, and Dr. Costa have front row seats at the annual spring induction. This year Edison inducted 16 new members this spring.



**Honor Society Officers:** Back row: Kristina Vega, Vice-President; and Bradley Westerhout, Secretary. Front row: Dimo Vckov, President; and Misty Rosenstein, Treasurer.



# Career Center

Very few students experience the workplace at this age. The Career Center has many career options available to our juniors and seniors. From welding to Micro Computer Applications many students get experience they can use for their future.

**A.M. Career Center students:**  
**Front row:** Crystal Heridia, Lisa Rowan, David Bravo, Robert Pavich, Mark Stanley, Raymond Stone, and Erick Garcia. **Middle row:** Starr Sullivan, Nicole Radusin, Holly McMullen, Candy Powers, and Rebecca Lugo. **Back row:** Monica Cintron, Susan Ishii, Shawna Tretter, Janet Chisko, Kimberly Woodard, Heather Darnell, and Cynthia Pitman.



**Welding:** Right: David Bravo, Robert Pavich, and Raymond Stone.



**Above:** Jolene Corley is enjoying her cooking class this year.

**Right:** Susan Ishii is stripping a negative in her Graphic Advancement class at the Career Center.



# SENIORS DIVISION PAGE

**WARNING:** The following material may have nothing to do with this yearbook, if so we apologize.

*Christopher Degenais: Interruptive...teenager.*

*Krystin Halford: Outspoken...kind samaritan.*

*Thomas Jaeger: Goofy...get along with everyone type.*

*Rosa Ortiz: One unique individual.*



*Read the following statements and be a judge...who do you think is most likely to end up in a mental institution?*

Rosa Ortiz

*"After high school I'm going to be a fashion designer, possibly the world's greatest female Rap artist, engaged to Javier Fuentes."*

Krystin Halford

*"My favorite memory of high school years would have to be all the times when Joshua A. Alderson would do that thing to my forehead in Mr. Hepp's class. The best thing about being a senior is the fact that we're not going to have to come back here."*

Thomas Jaeger

*"As a freshmen the seniors would stand around me to make me take their trays up at lunch time, but now I have the power....it feels good."*

Christopher Degenais

*"I'm not happy yet I'm still here. My favorite moment in high school would be the Almost Anything Goes Games when I started the water fight."*











# Top Ten Seniors

These seniors  
replied to the  
following  
question...



**Dimo Vekoc**  
Valedictorian

4.1946

Attend GMI Engineering & Management  
Institute to Study Environmental Chemistry

What do you  
plan to do  
after  
graduation?



**Misty Rosenstein**  
Salutarian 4.0713

I plan to work and attend either St.  
Joseph College or IUN.



**Monica Johnson**  
4.0152

I plan to attend Valparaiso University and  
to study something to do with science, more  
than likely in the medical field.



**Christopher Anderson**  
3.9487

Go to Valparaiso University to  
study Business.



**Sara Fugate**  
3.9055

I plan on going to Indiana State  
University to major in education.



**Richard Mackanos**  
3.9018

I plan on entering into the Air  
Force.



**Athena Welbourne**  
3.83 68

Go to IUN to study physical  
therapy and medicine.



**Kristina Vega**  
3.8214

I plan on attending Purdue West  
Lafayette to major in Biology and  
minor in Pre-Law.



**Joseph Yanez**  
3.7385

Attend Indiana University North-  
west or Purdue Calumet and major  
in business.



**Nichole Hill**  
3.7012

I plan to attend Purdue Univers-  
ity in the fall.



Joshua W.  
Alderson

Spanish 12, Favorite Class - Mrs.  
Clevington's Art Class



Veronica Alvarez

Spanish Club 9-11, DECA 11, FBLLA  
11, Student Council 12, Peer Helper  
12, Favorite Class - Mr. Levenda



Michelle Anders



Christopher Alan  
Anderson

French Club 9-11, Class Officer 9,  
Honor Society 10-12, FBLLA - 11,  
DECA 11-12, Football 9-12, MVP,  
All Conference,  
Baseball 9-12, Highest Freethrow %  
10, Most Assisted Freethrow % 11,  
Baseball All Conference, MVP, All  
Area Special Mention, All Area  
Academic Team, 9th Grade MVP,  
12th Grade Football MVP, Athlete of  
the Week, All Conference, All-State  
Academic, All-State Honorable  
Mention.



J P Beck



Joseph Beliles



Angelo Benard



Seniors Kevin Fisher and Ronald  
Nush cheer for the Lake Station  
Eagles at a home girls' basketball  
game against the River Forest In-  
gots.



Jonathan Biggs



Melissa Butt



French 9, Basketball 9-12, Track 9-10, Mental Attitude - Track, 100% Effort - Basketball, Favorite Class - Algebra II

Samantha Eileen Campbell

French Club 9-10, FBIA 9-12, School Musical 9-12, Choir 9-12, Yearbook 11, Drama Club 11, Fame 11, Spell Bowl 11, Publisher of the Literary Club 11, Class Officer 11, Cheerleading 9-12, J.V. Golf 11, Who's Who Among American High School Students 9-11, Outstanding Choir Member 10, Hoosier Girls' State 11, MVP Cheerleading 11, Most Dedicated Cheerleader Captain 11-12, Favorite Class - Marketing Education



Rita Jenee Cartagena

Favorite Class - Mr. Sickman



Christina Lynn Childers

FBIA 9-11, Spanish Club 9-11, Choir 9-12, Student Council 10-12, Honor Society 10-12, Senior Class Vice-President, Tennis - 9, Choir Achievement Award, Favorite Class - Chemistry



Senior Jaimie Vale pauses for a quick rest before beginning the long march in the 4th of July parade.

Seniors Sarah Hooper, Nichole Hill, Lisa Kroledge, Monica Johnson, Samantha Campbell and Sean Gorby cheer on their classmates at this year's Almost Anything Goes Games.



## Jason Andrew Constandars

French Club 9-11, Choir 9-11, Student  
Council 9-12, Honor Society 10-12,  
Basketball 9-11, Baseball 9-10



## Cheryl Rae Crawford

French 9-12, Band 9-12, DECA 11-  
12, Student Council 11-12, FBLA 11-  
12, Band Medals, Honor Roll Awards



## James Edward Cuellar

DECA 12, Student Council 12,  
Baseball 10-12, Football 11-12,  
Wrestling 11-12, Frank Chester Award  
'96, Co MVP '96 Wrestling,  
Sectional Champs '96, All-  
Conference Football '96, All State  
Special Mention.



## Tina Marie D'Azzena

Spanish Club 9-12, FBLA 9-11, Spell  
Bowl 10-11, Honor Roll 10-12  
DECA 11, Prom Committee 11,  
Homecoming Court 12, Track 9,  
Tennis 10-12, Favorite Class  
Sociology



## Heather Kelly Darnell



Senior Christopher DeGenais  
flashes the peace sign for all to  
see on Hippy Day during  
homecoming spirit week in  
October.

## Christopher Todd DeGenais

FBLA 11, Luther 9-11, Favorite Class  
Mr. Levenda



## Nathan John Ellis

Wrestling 9-12, Football 10-12,  
Favorite Class - Psychology



**Latrica Ann  
Faught**

DECA 11, Volleyball 9-12, Mental  
Attitude Award, Favorite Class - Mr.  
Levenda's



**Ramon Figueroa**

**Kevin Michael  
Fisher**

Student Council 9-12, Basketball 9-  
11, Golf 9, 11-12, Cross Country 12,  
Favorite Class - Guidance Assistant



**Robert Frisbie**

**Sara Elizabeth  
Fugate**

French Club 9-11, Band 9-12, Flags  
9-10, FBLA 9-10, Student Council 9-  
12, Girls' Rep. 11, DECA 11-12,  
Honor Society 11-12, Senior Class  
Treasurer, Tennis 9-10, Favorite Class  
- French



**Susannah  
Gallegos**

**Jamison  
Daniels**

Hoosier Girls' State in Terre  
Haute, Indiana was held dur-  
ing the summer and was at-  
tended by two to 4 junior girls  
from each high school across  
the state. Samantha Campbell,  
one of Edison's delegates is  
surrounded by her roommates  
Betsy and Bethany.





Arthur Garner



LorRaine Lynn  
George



Brian Robert  
Ginter

Wrestling 9, Football 9, 10, 12,  
Baseball 10-11, MVP Football,  
Favorite Class - Sociology



Richard A.  
Glotsbach Jr.

French Club 9-10, DECA 11, Career  
Center 11, FBIA 12, Basketball 9,  
Baseball 10-12, Gary Career Center  
Student of the Month, Favorite Class -  
Mr. Cosgrove's



Senior Nola Richardson stops  
between classes for a quick  
look at the library window con-  
taining the senior graduation  
items. Students place orders in  
the fall and they arrive in late  
February.



Sean Michael  
Gorby

Student Council 12, Football 9, Track  
9, Varsity Football 10-12, Varsity  
Track 10-12, Co-MVP Football 12,  
Favorite Class - Gym



Eric Robert Gray

French Club 9-12, Drama Club 10-12,  
Student Council 11, Favorite Class -  
Choir



David Earl Gruett

French Club 10-12, DECA 11, Varsity  
Football 9-12, Varsity Wrestling 10-  
12, Varsity Track and Field, Co-MVP  
Varsity Football, Favorite Class -  
Gym



## Marcus Guarjardo

French Club 9-11, Spanish Club 9-11  
Student Council 9-12, FBIA 12  
Favorite Class-Mr. Congrove



## Ryan Haas

Basketball 9-12, Baseball 9-12

## Krystin Halford

Basketball 9



## Gordon Thomas Hatherly

Writer's Club 9, FBIA 9-10, French  
Club 9-11, Journalism 10-11,  
Journalism Assistant Editor 11,  
Library Assistant 12, Peer Helper 12  
Journalism and Art Show Awards  
Favorite Class - Psychology

## Tiffany Joyce Hester

Honor Society 10-12, Spell Bowl 11-12,  
Academic Team 10-11, DECA 11-12, Dist. 1  
Deca President, Student Council 11-12, Class Sec. 12,  
Basketball 12, Favorite Class - Mr. Salomon



## Nicole Marie Hill

French Club 9-10, Band 9-11, Pep Band 9-11,  
FBIA 11-12, DECA 11, 12, Super Bowl 11, Drama Club 11,  
Student Council 12, 1st DECA-Marketing,  
Favorite Class - Mr. Kincaid

## Kristy Kathleen Hite

Student Council 9-12, FBIA 9-10, DECA 11-12,  
Spanish Club 10-11, Volleyball 9-12, Basketball 9-12,  
Tennis 9-12, Most points and rebounds, Lake Station Invite Champs 9, M.V.P. Sectional and Regional Runner up, All-Conference - Tennis, Honorable Mention 10, All-Conference, Sectional Champs, Lake Station Invite - Volleyball -11, All-Conference - Volleyball-12, Favorite Class - Mr. Kincaid



## Sarah Elizabeth Hopper

French Club 9-12, Band 9-12, Student Council 11-12, Perfect Attendance, Who's Who Among America High School Students, 1st-Solo and Ensemble - District and State,  
Favorite Class - Government



Susan Shizue  
Ishii

Career Center 11-12, Student Council  
12, Yearbook 12, Softball 11, Favorite  
Class - Mr. Levenda



Thomas Jaegar



Anthony  
Johnson

Jr. High Club 13, Favorite Class - Mr.  
Levenda



Monica Kay  
Johnson

Flag Corp 9-10, Band 9-12, Student  
Council 9, Spanish Club 10-12,  
Honor Society 10-12, Cheerleading 9  
12, Honor Roll, Presidential  
Academic Fitness Award, Purdue  
English Award, Favorite Class - Mr.  
Christian



Micheal  
Karpinski

Career Center 11-12



Beverly Kay  
Flora Margaret  
King

FBLA 9-11, FBLA VP 11, Spell Book 11,  
Academic Team 10-11, DECA 11-12,  
Drama Club 11, Spanish Club 11,  
Class Girls' Rep 10, 2nd Intro to  
Business (FBLA), 2nd Entrepreneur-  
ship Manual (FBLA), 1st General  
Marketing Manual (DECA), 7th  
Entrepreneurship Individual Event  
(FBLA), 3rd Vehicle and Petroleum  
Marketing (DECA), Favorite Class -  
Photography



Robert King



Lisa Marie  
Lorraine  
Kroledge

French Club 9-12, Band 9-12, Student  
Council 9-12, DECA 11-12, Honor  
Society 11-12, Cheerleading 9-12, Tennis  
10, Who's Who Among High School  
Students, Favorite Class - Mr. Dobrich



Jennifer Lazaro



Leslie Ann  
Llerena

Spanish Club 9-12, Favorite Class  
Mr. Levenda



Danielle Lopez



Michael Lopez



Jeremy Lutz



Richard  
Mackanos

Student Council 9, 11-12, French Club  
9-12, Honor Society 10-12, Football  
9, 12, Basketball 9, 12, Track 11-12,  
Cross Country 12, MVP Football-12,  
Most Improved Football-12, FBLLA  
12, Favorite Class Mr. Levenda



Seniors Misty Rosenstien, J.P. Beck, Ronald Nush, Daniyela Radusin, Tiffany Hester, and Joseph Yanez spend their last couple of days with mid-term graduate Stacy Orris in Mr. Kincaid's 1st hour Marketing Education class.

### *Pick-up lines*

We took a survey to find out the following: What is your favorite pick-up line?

Below are the two most popular answers.

#### Guys

"I know your feet must be tired because you have been running through my mind all day!"

#### Girls

"I lost my number, can I have yours!"



**Katrina Marie  
Martinez**

Favorite Class: Mr. Levenda



**David Mardis**



**Edward Stanley  
Martyka**

French Club 9-11, Student Council 9-12, Peer Helper, Football 9, Basketball 9-11, Tennis 10-12, Golf 9-11, Mental Attitude Award, MVP Tennis, Favorite Class: Mr. Cosgrove



**Bradley McWhirter**



**Wesley Luis  
Mendez**

Spanish Club 11, Football 9, 11-12, Wrestling 12, Co-MVP Football 12, Favorite Class: Mrs. Robinson



**Monica Mendoza**

Spanish Club 11-12, Favorite Class - Mr. Cosgrove



**Heidi Marie  
Moore**

Spanish Club 9-12, Student Council 9-12, IBLA 9-10, Honor Society 10-12, Volleyball 9-12, Basketball 9-11, Tennis 9-12, Favorite Class - Mr. Levenda



**Matthew Morales**





## Kelly Leanne Mote

French Club 9-10, Student Council 10-11, Honor Society 10-12, FBLA 11, Academic Superbowl 11, Honor Roll, Academic Superbowl, Perfect Attendance, Honor Society Award, Favorite Class - Mr. Christian



## Crystal Nush

FBLA 9-12, Basketball 9-11, Cheerleading 10, Track 11-12, Mental Attitude Basketball, Varsity Letters, Favorite Class - Mr. Cosgrove

## Ronald Nush



## Stacy Lyn Orris

DECA 11-12, Student Council 12, Cheerleading 9-11, Mar. Maid 10-12, Honor Roll, Favorite Class - Mr. Cosgrove

## Patricia Joyce Owens

Student Council 9-12, Choir 9-12, FBLA 9-11, Office Asst. 9, Class Treasurer 10, Class Girls' Rep. 11, Yearbook 10-12, Musical 10, DECA 11, FAME Vice-President 11, Cheerleading 9-11, Mar. Maid 10-12, Track 11, 3rd-District Advertisement Layout, DECA 11, District 1 Solo - Choir 1st 11, Honors Choir 12, Favorite Class - Miss Clifton



## Benjamin Plesha

## Amanda Pratt



## No Place To Hide From:

### *Dream Dates!*

During the school year we took a survey on who you would chose to be your dream date. Here are the results.

**Top 4 senior guys choices:**      **Top 4 senior girls choices:**

1. Pamela Anderson
2. Christy Brinkley
3. Cindy Crawford
4. Jenny McCarthy

1. Antonio Banderes
2. Leonardo DiCaprio
3. Antonio Sabato Jr.
4. Brad Pitt



## Alicia Maria Ramirez

SADD 9, Band 10, Career Center 11  
Honor Roll 10-12, Favorite Class -  
Business Communication



## Voula Randitsas

French Club 9-10, Spanish Club 11,  
Favorite Class - Mr. Cosgrove



## Karen Lynn Reese

*Favorite Class - Mrs. Georgeson*



## Nola Jane Richardson

Band 9-12, Student Council 9-11, Pep  
Band 9-10, DECA 11, Yearbook 10-  
12, 1st place & 2nd place in Art  
Show '96, Favorite Class - Mr. Ayers



## Gabriela Rodriguez

French Club 9-10, FBIA 9-10,  
Student Council 12, Ball State  
Outstanding Achievement Award



## Lewis Roper



## Misty Frances Rosenstein

Choir 9, FBIA 10-12, JETS 10-12,  
Spanish Club 10-12, Honor Society  
11-12, Student Council 11-12, DECA  
11-12, Track 10-12, Chemistry Award,  
Honor Roll, 1 Dare You Award, Most  
Improved - Track, Favorite Class - Mr.  
Christman



**Seniors Boys' and Girls' State Delegates:** Athena Welbourn, Edward Martyka, Misty Rosenstein, Kevin Fisher, and Megan Schammet.



## Yolanda Salazar

Favorite Class - Art



## Megan Schammert

French Club 9-10, Pep Band 9-10, 12,  
Band 9-12, Musical 9-12, Academic  
Teams 9-10, Flag Corps. 11-12,  
Honor Society 11-12, Favorite Class -  
Assistant



## Steven Szakacs



## Shawna Darlene Tretter

FBLA - 9, BPA Gary Career Center 11-12,  
Basketball Stats - 9, Football Manager and  
Trainer 11, Favorite Class - Assistant



## Jaimie Vale

Band 9-12, French Club 9-10



## Dimo Iliga Vckov

French Club 9-10, Honor Society 10-  
12, Student Council 11-12,  
Jets Team 10-12, Band 9-12,  
Peer Helper 11-12, Football 10-12



## Kristina Vega



## Trina Marie Villarruel

Softball - 12,  
Favorite Class - Mr. Levenda



Athena Elena  
Hernandez  
Welbourne

Student Council 9-12, Band 9-12,  
Choir 9-12, Honor Society 10-12,  
French Club 11-12, Class President  
11-12, Band Vice President 11, Band  
President 12, Track 9-10, Volleyball  
10-12, Cheerleading 11-12, Tennis  
11-12, Cross Country 12, Favorite  
Class: Choir



Bradley Jason  
Westerhout

French Club 9-12, Honor Society 10-  
12, Student Council 11-12,  
Basketball 9-12, Tennis 10-12, Golf  
9-11, Favorite Class: Mr. Levenda



Maria Whalen



Kenneth  
Whitledge



Lonnie  
Willoughby



Kimberly  
Woodard



Joseph Augustine  
Yanez

Spanish Club 9-11, Honor Society  
10-12, Student Council 11-12, DECA  
11-12, Basketball 9-12, Favorite  
Class: Mr. Cosgrove



Several senior boys attended the girls' basketball games and were even carrying signs at the game against River Forest. Freshman Ashley Hawkins put a shot in at the buzzer to clinch the win for the Eagles.



# Senior



Senior Group



# Class



Senior Group



Having your senior picture taken in the summer before your senior year starts to make the reality of being a senior sink in. Seniors were to go to John Sykes' Photography to have their senior portraits taken because he is the official senior picture photographer.

The students are sent three letters concerning senior portraits with the first letter sent in April. This gives the students an opportunity to go into the studio from May through September for their sitting. No student is required to purchase pictures. A student could pay only the sitting fee and that pays for the film, developing, and printing of your picture for the yearbook, or the student may choose to purchase one of the many picture packages.

## THE 23 SENIORS NOT PHOTOGRAPHED AT THE STUDIO

James Wesley Beck

Michael Berrier

Brandy Bogard

Janet Chisko

Career Center 11-12, Honor Roll, Favorite Class - English 11.

Kara Lee Coe

Spanish Club 12, Softball 9, English 12, Algebra 11, Favorite Class - Mr. Solomon's.

Jamison Daniels

Travis Evans

Ricca Gann

Carolos Garcia

Mario Garcia

Miguel Garcia

Marisela Gonzalez

Richard Maldonado

Randy Morataya

Wrestling 12.

Rosa Ortiz

Spanish Club 10-12, Choir 10, Student Council 11-12, Yearbook 11, Favorite Class - Spanish and Bilingual with Mrs. Medina.

Daniyela Radusin

Randall Seabolt

Jeffrey Stokes

Michael Tabone

Pashika Topps

Scott Vargas

Adrian Vera

Chad Wildrick



Some of the not pictured seniors are shown in this group photo above. Michael Berrier, Jeffrey Stokes, Jamison Daniels, Janet Chisko, Pashika Topp. Second row: Rosa Ortiz, Marisela Gonzalez, Brandy Bogard, Kara Lee Coe. Third row: Miguel Garcia, Mario Garcia, Carlos Garcia, and Randall Seabolt. Not pictured: James Beck, Travis Evans, Ricca Gann, Richard Maldonado, Randy Morataya, Daniyela Radusin, Michael Tabone, Scott Vargas, Adrian Vera, and Chad Wildrick.



Senior Class Officers: Christine Childers, Vice-President; Athena Welbourne, President. Second row: Sara Fugate, Treasurer; Tiffany Hester, Secretary. Third row: Bradley Westerhout, Boys' Representative. Not pictured: Jennifer Lazaro, Girls' Representative.



**Best Hair:** Yolanda Salazar and Michael Karpinski-not pictured.



# SENIOR SOVEREIGNTY



**Cheesiest Smile:**  
David Gruett and  
Jennifer Lazaro.



**Class Clowns:** Trina Villeruel and David Mardis.



**Most Likely to be found in a Thrift Shop:** Joshua Alderson and Jaimie Vale not pictured.



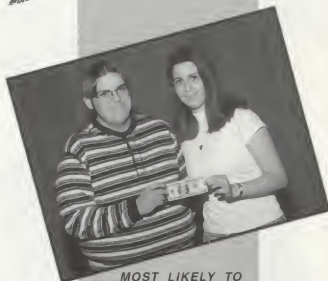
**SCHOOLSPIRIT:**  
Edward Martyka &  
Tiffany Hester.



# Senior Sovereignty



**BROWNNOSERS:**  
Lisa Kroledge &  
Jaimson Daniels



**MOST LIKELY TO  
OWN A BUSINESS:**  
Dimo Vckov & Nichole  
Hill.



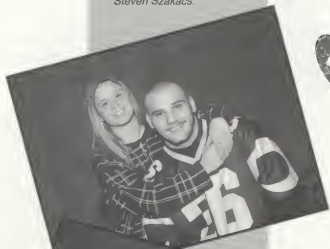
**MOST MUSICAL:**  
Athena Welbourne &  
Eric Gray .



**MOST LIKELY TO  
BECOME FAMOUS:**  
Misty Rosenstein &  
Ryan Haas.



**BIGGEST FLIRTS:**  
Tina D'azzena &  
Steven Szakacs.



# Senior Sovereignty

**BEST DRESSED:**  
James Beck & Maria  
Whalen.



**PRETTIEST EYES:**  
Heidi Moore & Lewis  
Roper.



**MOST ATHLETIC:**  
Christopher Ander-  
son & Kristy Hite.



**CUTEST COUPLE:**  
Samantha Campbell  
& Sean Gorby.





**FRIENDLI-  
EST:** Richard  
Mackanos &  
Sarah Hopper.



# SENIOR SOVEREIGNTY



**MOST LIKELY BE-  
COME A MODEL:**  
Wesley Mendez &  
Danielle Lopez not  
pictured.



**BEST PERSONALITY:**  
Christina Childers &  
Matthew Morales.



**MOST ARTISTIC:**  
Rita Cartegena &  
Angelo Benard.



The annual Award Night Program was held at Edison Junior - Senior High School Thursday, May 29, 1997 with the following student being recognized:

**I Dare You**

**Leadership Award**

Daniel Perryman, Carri Cuellar.

**Marine Corp.**

**Scholarship**

Dimo Vekoc

**President's Award For**

**Educational**

**Excellence**

Christopher Anderson, Sara Fugate, Marcus Guajardo, Nichole Hill, Monica Johnson, Richard Mackanos, Misty Rosenstein, Dimo Vekoc, Athena Welbourne, Joseph Yanez.

**Tandy Technology**

**Scholars Award**

(Top 2% of graduating seniors)

Dimo Vekoc, Misty

Rosenstein.

**Outstanding Student**

**Award (Tandy)**

Dimo Vekoc

**Academic Top 2%**

Christopher Anderson, Misty Rosenstein, Dimo Vekoc

**Hoosier Scholarship**

Misty Rosenstein, Monica Johnson.

**Dar Award**

Jason Constanders

**Xerox Award**

Carri Cuellar

**Macy Minorities In**

**Medicine**

Ricca Gann

**Bausch & Lomb Award**

Melissa McGinley

**Purdue University Junior Scholar Awards**

Daniel Peryman, Christopher Suarez, Donald Robb, Dale Lambert, Melissa McGinley.

**Saint Joseph's College**

**Honors Scholarship**

Tiffany Hester

**IUN Academic**

**Scholarship**

Joseph Yanez

**Purdue University**

**Certificate of Recognition**

Nichole Hill

**Valparaiso University**

**Crusader Award**

Christopher Anderson, Sara Fugate, Monica Johnson.

**Indiana State Academic**

**Scholarship**

Christopher Anderson, Sara Fugate, Richard Mackanos.

**IUN Salutatorian**

**Scholarship**

(Full Ride for 4 years)

Misty Rosenstein

**Academic Honor**

**Diploma**

Veronica Alvarez, Christopher Anderson, Jason Constanders, Cheryl

Crawford, Marcus Guajardo,

Monica Johnson, Richard

Mackanos, Kelly Mote,

Gabriela Rodriguez, Misty

Rosenstein, Dimo Vekoc,

Kristina Vega, Bradley

Westerhout, Joseph Yanez.

**American Legion Awards**

Jason Constanders, Kristy

Hite.

**Certificates for Excellence**

**in Art I**

Danielle Underwood,

Casandra Ohmann,

**Certificates for Excellence in Art 2**

Aaron Carter

**Art Assistances**

Jennifer Wells, Tony Garcia, Nola Richardson, Danielle Lopez, Aaron Carter, Karla Broman.

**Art Contest Winners**

Waste Management Poster Contest 3 out of 10 1st Place Valerie Karpinski, Patricia Fields, Christina Forrest.

**Agenda Contest Winners**

1st Place Crystal Cooper 2nd Place Gregory Roberts & Rita Cartagena.

**Yearbook Editors**

(Pen set & Certificate & Pin)

Kristy Taylor, Nola

Richardson.

**Most Ads Sold**

(Plaque & Certificate)

Kristy Taylor

**Most Books Sold**

Dale Ginter

**Certificates for 3 years**

**Membership**

Nola Richardson, Patti Jo Owens.

**Certificates & Pin for 2**

**years Membership**

Joshua Alderson, Kristy Taylor.

**Certificate for 1 year**

**Membership**

Dale Ginter, Susan Ishii, Deziree Melendez,

Roxanna Ramos, Rhonda

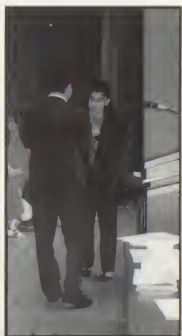
Rokicki, Bianca Scott,

Jennifer Wells, Andrea

Wise.



Above: James Cuellar is receiving Edison's Sportmanship award from Mr. Vanderlin.



Above: Mr. Hernandez is presenting an award for excellence in the bilingual program to Mayra Zepeda.



# A • W • A • R • D • S

## Valedictorian Award

Dimo Vckoc

## Salutatorian Award

Misty Rosenstein

## Honor Roll Awards

Jacalyn Bolles, Carmille

Calaug, Angela Espinosa,

Brittaney Finchum,

Kristin Mantta, Jennifer

Morales, Betty Nickovich,

Casandra Ohmann, Gary

Ray, Leah Silverthorn,

John Thomas Tucker,

Danielle Underwood, Lora

Andrews, Wendy Branson,

Heather Choate, Shannon

Clendaniel, Roxanne

Hamilton, Sandra Hamp-

ton, Crystal Jones, Natalie

McColly, Luciana

Melendez, Tiffany Owens,

Kristina Purcell, Paul

Redar, Nick Roper, Jesse

Schmidt, Brad Snodgrass,

Erica Stevens, John

Tsahas, Jillian

Underwood, Shannon

White, Sarah Woynaroski,

Heather Wright, Andrew

Costa, Carri Cuellar,

Kevin Fedor, Lacey

Finchum

Erick Garcia, Jeremy

Gibson, Leslie Grant,

Jeremy Holland, Michael

Hopkins, Aron Kollins,

Kelly Krayniak, Dale

Lambert, Melissa

McGinley

Brian Owens, Daniel

Perryman, Elizabeth

Ramirez, Donald Robb,

Lori Sichtermann, Jeanine

Snoder, Trijuana Starks,

Christopher Suarez, Jenni-

fer Waugaman, Christina

Childers, Karalee Coe,

James Cuellar, Sara Fugate,

Marcus Guajardo, Nichole

Hill, Monica Johnson,

Richard Mackanos, Bradley

McWhirter, Heidi Moore,

Amanda Pratt, Gabriela

Rodriguez, Misty

Rosentein, Megan

Schammert, Dimo Vckoc,

Kristina Vega, Athena

Welbourne, Bradley

Westerhout,

## Activities Award

Christopher Anderson,

Kristy Hite

## Perfect Attendance

Awards

Robert Alger, Lily

Gonzalez, Jennifer Stearns,

Danielle Underwood, Luis

Agront, Lora Andrews,

Joshua Holland, John

Palumbo, Paul Redar,

Steven Ralston, Patrick

Santana, Jennifer Self,

Lisha Willis, Mayra

Zepeda, Sandra Hampton,

Kimberly Garner,

Brandi Beck, Andrew

Costa, Aron Kollins,

Donald Robb, Chrisopher

Suarez, Christopher

Wheeler, Jorge Zepeda,

Sarah Hopper.

## Office Assistant

Certificates

James Cuellar, Ramon

Figuerola, Tony Elliott,

Michael Vckoc, Deborah

Stojanovich, Wesley

Mendez, Justin Zerza,

Anthony Johnson, Asa

Stone, Brad Snodgrass,

John Camacho, Karalee

Coe, Miguel Garcia, Lewis

Roper, Tina D'Azzena,

Jason Constanders Beverly

King, Nicole Nobilio,

Mandi Jemenko.

## Attendance Office

Certificates

Christopher Majka, William

Best, Daniel Huskisson,

Nathan Ellis, David Gruett,

Matthew Morales, Andrea

Jackson, Roxanne Ramos,

Monica Johnson, Christina

Childers, Lisa Kroledge.

## Library Assistant

Certificates

William White, Justin

Haussman, Kevin Fedor,

Pashika Topps, Yolanda

Campos, Gordon Hatherly,

Amber Berntsen, Brandy

Bogard, Crystal Heridia,

Kimberly Woodard.

## Guidance Office

Assistants

Brian Ginter, James Beck,

Cindy Johnson, Kevin

Fisher, Bianca Scott,

Jeremy Gibson, Andrea

Wise, Melissa Butt,

Shawna Tretter, Janet

Chisko, Michael

McGinley, Megan

Schammert.

## Peer Helpers Awards

Brian Owens, Megan

Schammert, Eric Shiplov,

Dimo Vckoc, Jonathan

Biggs, Dale Lambert,

Trijuana Starks, Nicole

Brumley, Richard

Mackanos, Edward

Martyka, Kelly Mote,

Justin Zerza, Heather Dodd,

Jessica Wade, Kristy Hite,

Bradley Westerhout, Jenni-

fer Gruett, Marcus

Guajardo, Gordon Hatherly,

## Student Council Awards

Leslie Grant, Lora

Andrews, Kristina Purcell,

Samantha Campbell, Carri

Cuellar, Heather Choate,

Angela Monsivais, Jeanine

Snoder, Shannon

Clendaniel, Tiffany Owens,

Tanay White, Lacey

Finchum, Heather Rich-

mond, Rebecca Wright,

Sarah Hopper, Heather

Wright, Trinidad Escoto,

Teresa Gadzala, Amber

Hertaus, Susanna Alvarez,

Sandra Hampton, Elizabeth

Ramirez, Valerie Thomas,

Athena Welbourne, Erica

Aceves, Megan

Schammert, Lori

Sichtermann, James

Cuellar, Ramon Figuerola,

Leann Pierca, Brian

Johnson, Claudia Vega,

Monica Cintron, Naziha

Ibrahim, Edward Martyka,

Casandra Ohmann, Angelo

Benard, Andrew Costa,

Michael McGinley,

Brittaney Finchum,

Chrisopher Suarez, Jennifer

Waugaman, Nichole Hill,

Rhonda Rokicki, Tiffany

Hester, Angel Sandefur,

Michael Vckoc, Jason

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Mantta, Benajamin Plesha,

Sarah Woynaroski,



# Memories of '97

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emories of our past are contained in this yearbook, not only for the graduating class, but also for all of the others here at Edison. It may be your first year in high school, your first year in Lake Station, or, for a new teacher, their first year of teaching. Memories of good times and bad are recorded forever in this '97 yearbook. I sincerely hope that the majority of your memories are of all of the great events of this year, and I wish everyone luck in their future.

Nola Richardson  
1997 Editor

Congratulations seniors and good luck. Also, congratulations class of 2000, you've survived your first year and before long there will be no place to hide your last year's memories, so hang in there. In front of us lies the door of the future, and our generation holds the key.

Kristy Taylor 1997 Editor



Senior Edward Martyka pops up for one last time in the yearbook saying, "Hey, don't forget me!"



This is the closing of the '97 Edisonian Yearbook and the end of the senior's last year of school. A group of the seniors celebrate the end of their high school careers by showing us their back ends.

Junior Yearbook Editor Kristy Taylor is not trying to hide. In fact, she's anxious to begin working on her senior yearbook



# Index Division Page

Now that we are finally to the end it would only be fitting to give some last minute information about a few more Edison Eagles.

## Christina Orr

When we asked her to give us an idea about what she does in her spare time she did not give us much, but we do know that she likes to hang out with her friends a lot.



## Lonnie Willoughby

A very interesting youth who likes to take long mind boggling trips. He believed high school to be a long trip in it's own self.

Next on our list are two very talented girls: Danielle Lopez and Daniyela Radusin. These two girls were questioned outside the school during a fire drill. They told us that they enjoy hanging out a lot after school hitting all the popular pool halls.



Last but not least is the artistic Rita Cartegena. This girl spends her time drawing cartoon characters and eating soup.





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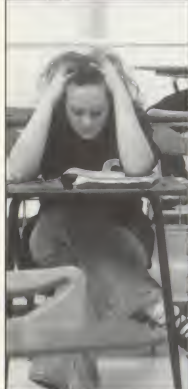
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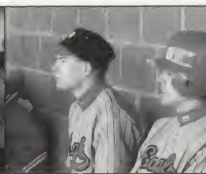


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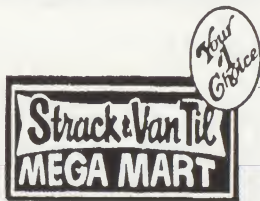
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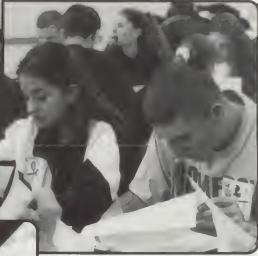
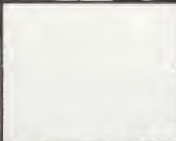
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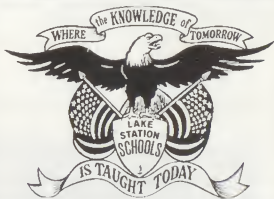
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# In Memory of Mr. Larry Levenda

Ever since I was a freshman, the uperclassmen would tell me "oh wait till you have Levenda, he's great." I never had him as a teacher sophomore year, but now that I am a senior I'm glad to have been his student. He was very inspiring and entertaining, from the Macbeth play to his little additions to the Literature dialogue. Mr. Levenda's assignments would normally be a full page about our opinions or to put ourselves in someone else's shoes. He liked my work, along with other student's, and would read them to other classes. Normally, we would humorously argue about what writing was artistic and what was not. I was inspired by Mr. Levenda, he wasn't just a good teacher, he was more like a friend.

Sadly, on May 26, 1997 he passed away. I would rather not write about the way he left, but more of the man he was and will always be with us in memory. My most fondest memory was when I asked him to be a character in my Yearbook Division Pages, his reply was, "What...no go bother Sanford and Son (Mr. Stanford) I'm too busy go away...wait what do you want me to do?" Eventually, I had my characters: Mr. Cosgrove and Mr. Levenda, the two most inspiring teachers I had ever been blessed to learn from, take over the world by acquiring a Soviet missile. In my personal opinion it wasn't the football star or the head cheerleader who were the most popular, but by no

fault of his own it was Mr. Levenda.



Mr. Levenda in 1995.

Another great detail about Mr. Levenda was his ability to perfectly nickname someone. Our study hall teacher, Mrs. Ripperdan, said, "I think his nickname suited me perfectly, he was a great man." We were all given special nicknames, my girlfriend, Ricca Gann was normally referred to as "The Gann Lady" and we all know of Mr. Cosgrove's nickname "Big-Jimmy."

Mr. Levenda graduated from Andean High School in 1963, and Lewis College in Joliet, Ill. in 1967. He had many jobs after college, he taught at Edison for 29 years, as well as being the co-owner, with his father, Victor, of L & H Plumbing in Lake Station. Mr. Levenda also taught cooling, heating, and plumbing trade classes at Ivy Tech in Valparaiso.

Mr. Levenda leaves behind his wife Rosemary, children Anthony, Jeffrey, and Amy Levenda, all of Portage; parents Victor and Mary Levenda of Lake Station.



Mr. Levenda photographed in 1996 with Mrs. Bauer, Learning Disabled Resource Teacher. Mrs. Bauer co-teaches with several of the high school teachers, which gives the L. D. students some extra individualized instruction.

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*Story by Joshua Alderson*



Mr. Levenda is shown here with Monique Avila and Michael Dunn both graduates from the class of 1993









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